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JEAN JACQUES the THIRD, a Christmas Story

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OLD JEAN JACQUES the Third lived in a brick two and a half story East India house, with a leaded glass doorway and a white posted rail about the edge of the roof. On one side of the great hall with its spiral stairway was the library. It contained hundreds and hundreds of books.

Jean Jacques the Third loved books. He ate breakfast, luncheon, dinner amid his books, and came out of his library only to sleep or to put on his double cape and search among the book shops for a new volume.

Above the onyx fireplace was a portrait of a man arrayed in a black coat, white bowed stock touching the ears, nestling about the chin, firm lips, brown eyes and gray hair curling in wisps over the forehead.

The portrait was Jean Jacques' grandfather, Jean Jacques the First, who looked down at Jean Jacques the Third, his grandson, and pressed his lips together.

Off to Read in Bed

The clock in the hall struck 11, and with the last stroke Jean Jacques the Third put a faded bit of yellow ribbon into page 31, volume 12 of Lacepede's History of Europe, blew out the candles on the mantlepiece, pushed back the half burned log with his foot, selected for trivial literature "Art Applied to Industry," switched out the electric lights and toddled off to read in bed.

As his bedroom door closed, a door across the hall opened carefully. A head popped out—a head covered with short curls. The head looked up the hall, down the hall. There was not a sound — yes, a little sound — a wee mouse moved from behind a chest of drawers, came out, sat upon a rug, and with his paws tickled his ears and smoothed his whiskers.

"Good Thing for Mousey"

On the rug was a cat. The mouse sat on her head, his tail was on her nose. A hand went over a small mouth to squelch a giggle. "It's a good thing for you, mousey," thought the head, "that the cat is braided into the mat, otherwise you might be in trouble."

A small body in a green Chinese kimona passed through the door. On her feet were red slippers.

"Gee," she said, "I'm glad old Ellen left the light on." She looked over the balustrade. "Dark as a pocket down there. Do I dare—" She straddled the mahogany rail, lay flat on her stomach and slid.

When she hit the post at the lower end, she swung off onto the floor and scuttled swiftly to the library.

She Lit the Candles

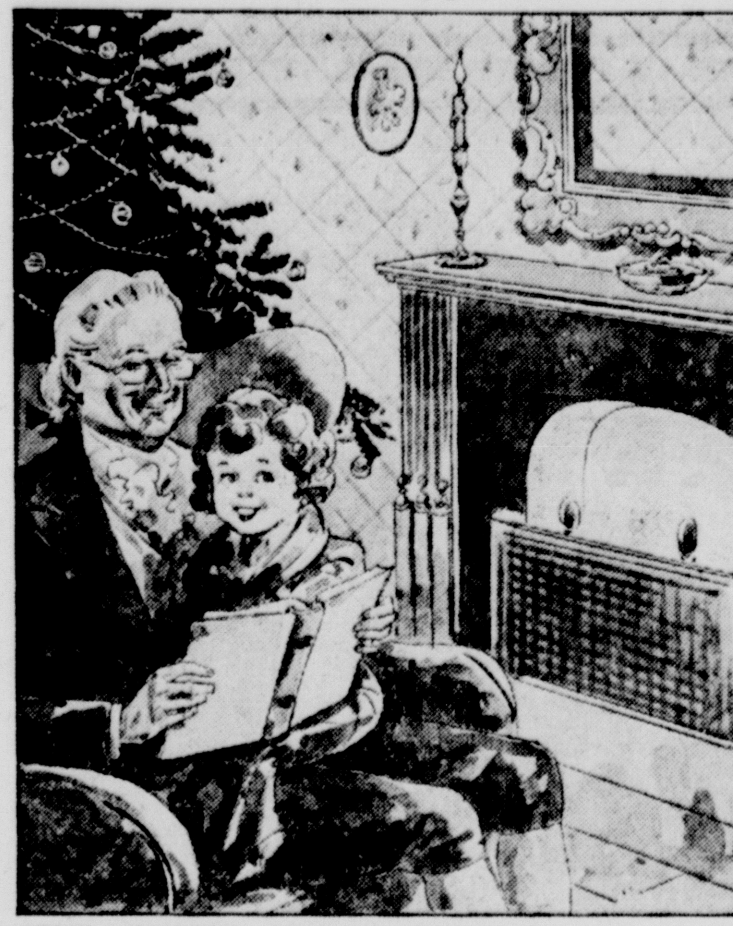
The flame from the burning log half illuminated the room. She closed the door, and stood on a stool and lit the candles on the mantel shelf.

"I do wish Uncle Jean knew it was the night before Christmas. I tried to tell him this afternoon, but he never once took his nose out of the old history book and told me I was a nuisance. I do wish that I was poor like the ash man's children. They are going to have a tree and presents and hang up their stockings. Santa Claus will come to their house, because they are unfortunate, and just because I am rich and live in a big house full of books he won't dare to come down our chimney, and if Uncle Jean saw his boots hanging in the fireplace he would take the tongs and hit them.

"Santa Claus All Bosh"

"He told me Santa Claus was all bosh and that he had no time to waste on tom-foolery. So I will eat dinner with Ellen in the dining room, and Joe will stand still as a post and pass things to me—when Ellen asks him to."

The little girl's eyes were full of tears. She went to the bookcase and from behind a pile of Atlases laid sideways took out a flat book with colored pictures on the cover. Then she pulled a low stool close to the fire and sat down on it. "You know," she said to herself, "I have not read a single word in this book since last year, and then I went upstairs and bawled until I went to sleep. I'm not going to cry this time, I'm going to pretend. If I'm going to make believe, I had better hang up a stocking." So off came the stocking and was hung over the brass hook that held up the fire shovel and poker.



"Oh," said Mary, "you are alive aren't you? I thought you were a ghost."

Began to Read Aloud

The flames played on her face — warmed her ankles. She wiggled her toes in her red slippers, opened the book upon her knees and began to read —aloud:

"It was the night before Christmas
When all through the house
Not a creature was stirring—
Not even a mouse . . ."

"I knew something was wrong," she said. "I knew it! Why, there was a mouse upstairs on the cat mat. Even this story can't come true in this house. There was a mouse, and the story said there could not be.

"Mary, Mary." It was a kindly voice. It came from behind her, near the door. It was not her uncle. She jumped to her feet. The book slipped to the floor. And as she looked up, she saw that the picture frame over the mantlepiece was empty. Her great-grandfather was not there.

"I'm Your Great-Granfather"

"Mary," said her great-grandfather, "I have been upstairs and shut the mouse in the closet, so that he can't stir."

The electric light switch clicked, the chandelier blazed, and there at the end of the room stood a man in satin knee breeches.

"Mary, I am your great-grandfather," he said.

"Oh," said Mary, "O how did you get out of the frame? How did you come to life? Are you real?"

"Touch me and see," replied the gentleman.

Mary held her hand out straight before her and walked toward him with her eyes shut, lest she should awake. The hand bumped into something soft—it was his stomach. It gave like a real stomach.

Thought He Was a Ghost

"O," said Mary, "you are alive, aren't you? I thought you were a ghost. I have read about them, and you can put your arm through a ghost anywhere, even his head."

"I am very much alive," said her great-grandfather, "very much alive. Mary, what was the book you were reading?"

"That's a Christmas book. I keep it behind the Atlases. Uncle Jean never looks at them. If he found it, why he would throw it in the fire, for it's all about trees and presents and the night before Christmas. Uncle Jean hates Christmas. If he ever knew it was Christmas, he would lock himself in here and not come out at all."

The man sat down in a chair. "You know," he said, "it is funny to look at the room where you always are, from the chair you used to sit in."

Sat in Same Chair

"Did you sit in this chair, grandfather?" asked Mary.

"Yes, every night before Christmas —a long, long time ago, and a little girl named Mary used to sit on my lap and I read to her a Christmas story before she went to bed."

"Where is Mary?" asked the little girl.

"O, she grew up and had little girls of her own," continued her great-grandfather. "She got too big to sit on my lap. Why don't you climb up and let me read to you the story you were reading to yourself?"

Not One Bit Afraid

"Okay," said Mary, and hopped into his lap. "You know," she went on, "I'm not one tiny bit afraid of you. You aren't a ghost, and fairies are always girls, so I guess you're only a grandfather, after all. Begin," she said—"begin here," pointing with her finger, "where I left off."

"The tree stood in the corner of the room. On it were hundreds of little pieces of cotton batting that looked just like snowflakes. The tip of each branch dripped clear water that had formed an icicle of glass, so that it could not melt inside the house. Festoons of fuzzy silver rope ran from limb to limb, round and round in shining whirls—and bright balls, oddly shaped

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EVOLUTION of JOLLY Old Santa Claus

By HURST K. MAJORS
(Copyright, The Philadelphia Inquirer)

YOU SEE HIM everywhere at this holiday time, the "right jolly old elf" of Clement Clarke Moore's immortal poem: "The Night Before Christmas." You think of him as timeless and universal and in a way you are right. As a symbol of generosity and good will he is as old as Christmas.

Nevertheless, the red-coated old boy with the woolly whiskers today is our own countryman, as American as apple pie. Not only this but, by the long measure of centuries, he is almost a contemporary. The Santa Claus we know, in fact, just misses being brand new!

It is true that medieval Europe gave him his toy pack. Russia provided his fur-trimmed blouse and trousers and his high boots. Lapland donated the sleigh drawn by reindeer. And in the largely legendary form of St. Nicholas he first was brought to this country by small sons and daughters of Dutch settlers in the little town of Nieuw Amsterdam (New York).

But it was not until the 1860's, less than 100 years ago really, that Santa Claus emerged from history and myth to take on form and outline and be established as our own. Oddly enough he was introduced to the world by a famed cartoonist of the day, Thomas Nast.

Drew on Moore's Poem

Nast, who originated the Republican elephant, Democratic donkey, Tammany tiger and other national symbols, drew largely upon Moore's poem, published 30 years before, for his delineation. He pictured the apple-cheeked Santa with his "broad face and round little belly" busy in his Polar workshop, keeping an eye on children all over the world through a magic telescope, fumbling through stacks of letters with his chubby hands, perched on snowy chimney-tops, skimming the sky in his toy-laden sleigh.

Doubtless Nast never meant his Santa Claus to be taken seriously. But everybody loved the chubby little benevolent figure who in some way represents the childhood that lives on forever in all hearts. Doubtless for many a year to come he will continue to be our Christmas saint . . . and a long step from the Santa Claus who truly lived.

The Bishop of Myra

Half lost in legend is the story of the kind-hearted Nicholas, Bishop of Myra, who lived in Asia Minor in the fourth century. Tradition says that Christians of the town, gathered at their church one evening to elect a new bishop, were warned by an old patriarch to be cautious. "It is God's will that he who first enters this church tomorrow shall be our new leader," the elder told them.

Accordingly they barred the doors, and unbarred them in the morning to admit a stranger. A personable youth, he was acclaimed a bishop and began a career of glad-hearted giving.

Bishop Nicholas rode abroad on his white horse each December 6, on the eve of his birthday, with a basket of presents for good children and a bundle of birch rods for the others. Even today Old World youngsters who set out bowls of hay for the white horse on that enchanted eve find the hay gone in the morning, the bowls filled with sweets.

Jolly old Santa smiles in happy anticipation of his annual gift-bearing visits to good little children.

The revered prelate restored life to three small boys slain by an inkeeper and so became the patron of children. Cruising the Mediterranean, he quieted a storm which threatened to swamp the craft and at once was adopted as the patron of mariners. Silently and in the depth of night, when he still bestows most of his gifts, he dropped three bags of gold through a poor man's window, thus enabling the daughters of the house to marry with dowries. Naturally he became the patron of all maidens, also of pawnbrokers whose three golden balls still commemorate the bags of gold.

Tomb Becomes Shrine

Nicholas died in 352, A. D., and his tomb in Myra became the shrine to which thousands made yearly pilgrimages. Seven centuries later his bones were removed to Bari, an Adriatic port just above the heel of Italy, there reinterred with pomp and ceremony. An oily substance, known as *Manna di Saint Nicola*, highly prized for medicinal purposes, is said to flow from the vault.

The birthday eve of St. Nicholas, long since canonized, still is celebrated in many European countries, but the churchman long ago became obscured by legend while only his tradition went on. According to some historians, the Christmas saint was introduced into Germany by a Greek princess who married the German Emperor Otto II of the Holy Roman Empire in 972 A. D.

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BIG CHRISTMAS for Hollywood Kids

By HAROLD HEFFERNAN
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Hollywood, Calif.

JUST LIKE you and you and all the rest of the populace, Hollywood is bogged down today by frantic last-gasp preparations for the observance of Christmas.

Only a few shopping days and gift-exchanging days to go and things have hit a feverish pitch unparalleled in any holiday rush since long before prewar times. Production schedules stagger as actors slip outside doors and run off the lot to purchase a forgotten gift.

Store counters look skimpier than they have in years, clerks are haggard and what's left of the white and blue and gold-enameled evergreen trees on the Wilshire lots are selling at shockingly high figures.

Santa Looks Beaten

Even Hollywood's own official Santa Claus looks beaten up today. He's the stout and jolly character actor who has been riding down the Boulevard nightly during the period between Thanksgiving and Christmas, his luxurious motor-driven sleigh throwing up great fountains of artificial snow.

Salesman though he is for the merchants who combine to sponsor him each season, this particular Santa has become symbolic of the manner in which the movie folks celebrate the Yule season. They do it with a flair.

The reason Santa has extra big bags under his eyes this year is the snubbing he took from the film personalities. In seasons past it has been customary for Santa to compile a list of screen stars and each night select two of them to ride with him. Driving majestically down the boulevard sitting there with old Kris has been a high honor, coveted by every actor who hopes to attract attention to himself in this business.

But for some unpublished reason movie stars haven't shared that sleigh this year. Only those common radio people! And Santa looks and acts unhappy about it all.

Parties Galore

At any rate, studios will officially call it quits about noon on Wednesday and then everyone from the highest star to the lowliest office boy will begin partying from one sound stage and one office to the next, all mingling and toasting one another on the common footing that only a Yule celebration can create.

They'll all try to get home in time Wednesday night to help swing up the Christmas tree, attach the baubles and set the stage for the bigger and better display of gifts certain to greet the eyes of Junior in the morning.

This will be the all-important item to a majority of film stars this year because, in case you haven't noticed, Hollywood has become a family town. And those kids, ever increasing, are also growing up to gift-appreciative age. Name almost any married actor with a marquee punch and you'll have one with some kids to bestow his or her affection and gifts upon.

And have no fears about these lucky little folks not doing all right in the roundup of Christmas loot. No parents anywhere are more apt to go overboard for the kids than the moms and pops of this town. All the new gadgets, from motor-driven two-wheelers to electric trains that do everything but carry the mail, have been gathered from the most exclusive shops in New York, Los Angeles and Beverly Hills, to be heaped under the tree come Wednesday.

Sharp Contrast

Sharply contrasting is this Christmas with that of say 10 years ago. In 1937 the glamor boys and girls hadn't become accustomed to mixing careers with marriage—and as for babies, well, they just had no place in the overall picture. Those that did arrive were kept in the background for fear the parental box office rating would take a nose dive.

Dorothy Lamour and her 3-year-old son, Ridge Howard.

Today the married stars advertise their kids, ask the publicity boys to come out and shoot stills of them for publication, even drag them into their own productions, if only for brief glimpses. Alice Faye, for instance, has built almost an entire half-hour radio show around the inquisitiveness of her young daughters.

Here, after a quick survey, are a few of the headline homes that will have children romping merrily around the tree this Christmas morning:

Dana Andrews, three; Hedy Lamarr, two (another expected); Bob Hope, four; Dick Haymes, two; Gene Tierney, one; Lana Turner, one; Dorothy Lamour, one; Don Ameche, four; Ronald Reagan, one; John Payne, two; Laraine Day, three; Betty Hutton, one; Ingrid Bergman, one; Mickey Rooney, one (expecting another); and Errol Flynn, two.

The baby market is, in fact, thriving to such an extent in celluloid glitter homes that one or two impending bundles of joy could arrive, on doctor's schedule, to give added zest to the Great Day.

CURRENT COMMENT

By STAFF EDITOR

Christmastime

IT'S Chrismastime again — Christ's birthday—the most important event on the Christian calendar, a day of Christmas trees and tinsel, gleaming lights and gay packages. It's the delight of the young and the joy of the old.

If you took Christmas apart, as an impatient child rips open a colorful gift package, you would find inside the Christmas spirit as bright and as warm as the sunlight, as glorious as the moon and the stars. And if the spirit of Christmas isn't there it isn't Christmas—no matter how bright the Christmas tree, or how many and costly the gifts thereon.

Christmas is inside of you. It's a heart-warming glow that comes of the knowledge that on this greatest of days you have done your part to bring happiness to loved ones and to your fellow man. For the joy of Christmas isn't something to be hugged selfishly to the family hearth. It's infinite—something to be shared and flung far and wide over land and sea.

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Safeguard Your Home Against Holiday Fires

The joy and gayety of every holiday season is marred by disastrous fires. Frequently the Christmas tree is the cause of a blaze. Short circuits from electric light cords, careless smokers, nearby open gas jets, electric or open fireplaces, all are fire hazards.

The least any parent can do is to obtain a tree as freshly cut as possible. The foliage of this tree will still be alive, and if it is placed in water and kept there during the Christmas season the leafage will remain green and moist, therefore less inflammable.

However, all trees can be made fireproof by impregnating the cellular structure of the needles (or leaves) twigs and main trunk with a solution of sulphate of ammonia or calcium chloride.

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Old Prayer Timely for Christmas Season

St. Francis of Assisi, wrote a prayer more than 700 years ago that seems very fitting for the 1947 Christmas season:

"Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is doubt, faith. Where there is despair, hope. Where there is darkness, light. And where there is sadness, joy.

"O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

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Insects Threaten Brazilian Coffee Trees

From Rio de Janeiro come word that about 25 million coffee trees are threatened with destruction by an insect plague in the State of Sao Paulo, Brazil. No efficient weapon has been found to fight the plague which covers more than 70,000 square kilometers of the finest coffee land. Losses are ranging from 30 to 50 per cent of the total crop. The loss in quantity is aggravated by loss in quality. In the Feio River Valley, which comprises one of the world's richest coffee plantations, losses caused by the plague have been estimated at five million dollars.

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Ex-GI's Equity in Real Estate

War veterans, without down payments, have acquired a 272-million-dollar equity in residential real estate in the three years since the first home loan under the GI Bill of Rights was granted, according to the United States Savings and Loan League of Chicago.

Repayments on veterans' home loans now total 272 million dollars, the league estimated. The sum includes monthly reductions on the debt incurred in the purchase of homes, and $80,042,822 represents debts completely wiped out during the first two years and 10 months of the program, according to Veterans' Administration figures, the league added.

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Passing Up Soviet Parties

Only a few years ago as many as 2,000 of the top celebrites of Washington trampled over each other annually in their rush to attend the Soviet Embassy's lavish parties observing the anniversary of the Communist revolution. This year's Embassy party was almost a wash-out. Very few ranking military men and not a single White House official or member of Congress bothered to show up. Less than 500 were on hand for the affair.

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Tax Study Committee Reports

A tip-off on what Republican tax-revision plans for 1948 might involve was provided recently by a Special Tax Study Committee, headed by Roswell Magill, Columbia University law professor and former Undersecretary of the Treasury. The Magill report to the House Ways and Means Committee proposed a "reduction in individual income-tax rates for all, with due regard for the cost of living of those in the lower income groups and for the needs

The 46 specific proposals of the Magill report include: (1) extension to all States of the income-splitting privilege which is now enjoyed by husbands and wives in the 13 community-property States and which enables them to lower their surtaxes; (2) reduction by 19 per cent of so-called "double taxation," under which individuals pay income taxes on dividends from corporations whose profits already have been taxed.

"Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright . . ."

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Chinese Dollar Drops 145,000-to-1 of U. S. Dollar

The Chinese dollar has dropped to a new low of 145,000 to one U. S. dollar, according to word from Shanghai.

The Chinese government foreign exchange equalization committee, striving to keep within shouting distance of the black market, upped its open market quotation from 64,500-to-one to 73,000-to-one. The government's official exchange rate, virtually ignored now, remains at the almost-forgotten low point of 12,000-to-one.

Financiers in Shanghai said that unless the runaway inflation slows soon to a walk, any future program of American aid would find it a great deal harder to stop.

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New Things in This Old World

There's little truth to the old saying, "There's nothing new under the sun." For example:

A new device converts the back seat of the family automobile into a combination play-pen and baby bed. A strong wall of fabric on a supporting arm stretches from one side of the car to the other. Fitted to the seat, it makes a well-padded and safe enclosure.

A broom, with steam-treated bristles that don't wilt in heat or dampness, is on the market.

A French chemist, working for the United States Army, has developed a solid gasoline. This fluid in the form of chunks will be easier to handle and less dangerous.

For the busy motorist who forgets to fill his battery with water, a new invention called the Aqualator will be useful. This device fits under the hood and automatically fills the cells of the battery. The gadget needs replenishing with water only twice a year.

Varieties of bananas and other exotic fruits soon will be brought to U. S. markets by air. Most of us know only the yellow banana, but there are other edible kinds too perishable to ship by boats.

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Eisenhower Urges Keeping Air Power

General Dwight D. Eisenhower told the Aviation Policy Board that a "reasonably balanced" air force is one of the strongest assurances that the United States would be respected by the rest of the world.

This air strength, he added, was essential to maintenance of our support of the peaceful aims of the United Nations, as well as a reassuring factor for our weaker friends among the nations.

He said that he foresaw no immediate threat of war—"not in the next few years" — but that military strength must become more vital as scientific development displaced the weapons used in World War II with newer and more formidable ones.

"No nation in the world today is in a position to undertake a war of global proportions," he declared.

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U. S. Foreign Food Shipments

During the last year the United States sent food to other nations at the rate of 8.6 per cent of its total production, or the equivalent of 271 pounds for every man, woman and child under the American flag. Thus estimates Senator Harry F. Byrd (D. Va.),

The figures are based on reports of federal departments and agencies. They may loom large in congressional debate on President Truman's emergency and long-range plans to aid Europe.

The great proportion of foodstuffs—from wheat to nuts — was shipped to feed civilians living in areas of Germany, Italy, and the territory occupied by United States troops. The total came to 3,481,000 long tons.

Other nations which shared in the American larder were: Great Britain, 1,003,000 long tons; Latin-American republics, 2,322,000 long tons, and France, 771,000 long tons.

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The Friendship and Freedom Trains

A spokesman for the National Friendship Food Train committee said approximately 12,000 tons of food collected during the train's transcontinental journey would be sent to Europe in four ships next month.

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, introducing the European aid bill in the Senate, told his colleagues:

"The Freedom Train reminds all people that their heritage stems from liberty under law; that their richest blessing is a Constitution and a Bill of Rights which protects the spiritual dignity of man and the independence of the citizen; and that there are no values in life which could compensate us for the loss of these divine privileges.

"The Friendship Train exemplifies the devotion of our people to the humanities which make most of the world kin; demonstrates our instinct, our tradition and our impulse to feed the hungry and to feed the sick.'

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First Regular Television Program Launched

An important date in the television industry was marked in recent weeks when the first regularly scheduled sponsored television program was broadcast. Stars of the show are Jinx Falkenburg, the former artist's model, and Tex McCrary, one-time New York newspaperman. The program goes out over a fledging NBC network in the New York area.

Another milestone in the march of television was passed when the Hotel Roosevelt, in New York, announced that it was installing television sets with a 10-inch screen in 40 of its 1,100 rooms. Guests occupying the rooms where it is available will get the service on request for an extra $3 a day.

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Safer Nation Goal in Drive

A never-ending drive to promote safety is being planned for the United States. It will seek to reduce the toll of accidents which each year kill 99,000 men, women, and children, seriously injure 10,400,000 more, and cost the country at least $6,400,000,000 in damage.

The National Safety Council is promoting the campaign. It will be the "Green Cross for Safety."

The aim, says William A. Irvin, chairman of the board of trustees of the council, is to promote the practice of safety more widely in general daily life. The drive will be especially against home, school and farm accidents.

"The need for such a campaign is evident," says Mr. Irvin. "More than half of the annual toll of deaths, injuries, and property damage results from accidents which are outside the area at present covered by the organized safety work."

The lowest number of American deaths from accidents in the last 20 years was 89,000, in 1932. The greatest was 110,052, in 1937.

Accidents are as great killers as diseases. In fact, the only diseases which cause more deaths are heart disease, cancer, and cerebral hemorrhage, the records show.

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Christmas Sales Expected to Hit New Peak

The old-fashioned Christmas will be back this year for the first time since the war. But it will be the costliest in history. After years of shortages, Yuletide shoppers this season will find stores stocked with the greatest variety of goods since pre-war days. Radios, home appliances, fancy household linens, and similar items once more can be written on shopping lists.

Most prices are up. But since more goods are available, more also can be found in the lower price brackets. Quality of the merchandise, too, is better than a year ago.

Americans are expected to run up the biggest gift bill of all time—but merchants across the country declare that most of it will not represent foolish spending. The accent is expected to be on practical gifts, and in most cases shoppers are expected to do a good bit of looking around before they buy.

The National Retail Dry Goods Association expects apparel and home furnishings to top the season's buying, with toys and personal gift departments making a good showing at the same time.

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Production to Halt Price Rise

To prevent further rises in the price level, it is essential to close the gap between the money supply and the production of goods by stepping up production and preventing any further expansion in the money supply, the National Association of Manufacturers declared recently. The NAM announced that it is preparing a price investigation report for publication, which is designed to help distinguish between descriptions of how prices have risen and why.

Declaring that the "phenomenal" increase in the money supply in this country is a major factor in the current high-price structure, the NAM pointed out that the money supply has more than trebled since 1939, while physical production has increased only 70 per cent. This unprecedented gap between money and production exerts so strong an upward pressure on prices, the association continued, that it is surprising that prices are not even higher than they now are.

Grass Root Reveries

By JOE GANDY

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IT'S the "Christmas Spirit" that makes Christmas. Without it Christmas is just another day. Jesus gave to the world the Christmas spirit. Before His coming the world was harsh and cruel—exacting "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." Christ condemned this harshness and taught a doctrine of brotherly love. By word and deed he went among the people, healing the afflicted and comforting the poor and needy. In His Sermon on the Mount He said: "Love your enemies, do good to them that hate you and pray for them that despitefully use you and persecute you." This quotation sums up the Christmas spirit and also the Christian spirit. What nobler thing on Christmas day than to do good to them that hate you and pray for them that despitefully use you and persecute you. By so doing you will rise to greater heights, will conquer any evil that may be in you and lick the stuffings out of the devil who is always just around the corner sowing seeds of hate, envy and discord.

"It's a Christmas present for my grandson, one of them little red wagons."

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Yes, we must lick the devil if we expect to have a happy Christmas, for the devil hates the Christmas spirit. He hates everything that makes people happy, kind and generous. You carry the ball for the devil when you shut yourself in on Christmas day and speak no word of cheer or bestow no gift on your fellow man.

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Coon Creek folks, near my home, already have the Christmas spirit and are making great preparations to celebrate the glorious day. I have invitations to eat Christmas dinner with several friends. One friend said: "Joe, we ain't gonna have a turkey dinner at our house, but we gonna have the best roasted ribs and sweet 'taters you ever tasted." This friend knows his roasted ribs, for he raises some of the finest Duroc Jersey hogs in our community.

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Hurrah for Coon Creek and its big-hearted people. You can't live there and not get the Christmas spirit. As a matter of fact, the spirit lives there all the year round, but on Christmas day it breaks out like a rash and everybody catches the infection, including the grandpas and the grandmas. Just a few days ago I met Uncle Jim Higgins, 72 years old, and he took me aside and whispered: "Joe, don't tell anybody, but I got a Christmas present for my grandson and it's one of them little red wagons just like the kivered wagon that me and my wife rode in when we arrived here, flat broke, 50 years ago." Then he laughed, slapped me on the back and walked on down the street whistling, "Jingle Bells."

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While looking through an old scrap book recently I came across this Christmas prayer:

"Dear Jesus, I thank Thee that there still is sunshine; that I still may glimpse the blue sky, and, while stumbling onward, continue to look up and up. I thank Thee for friends with the kindly smile and cheerful word, and with their help I can conquer obstacles and petty cares. Dear Jesus, I am grateful for blessings great and small, for a steadfast belief in an ever-guiding destiny which at the end leads to eternal life and glory in Thy Heavenly Kingdom."

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Government figures that combined corporations of the nation made a profit of $56,500,000,000 the first six months of 1947 are being widely quoted by labor leaders. But what neither government nor labor leaders mention is that $34,000,000,000 of that amount was taken by government in taxes. Some of the biggest corporations made a profit of only 3 per cent on their investment. That is not a big return from which to pay dividends and plow back earnings into the business. People should know the whole truth about taxes. I haven't figured out what my profits will be in 1947. If I earn no more than 3 per cent on my investment I will have just about enough to buy peanuts.

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An editorial in Grit Magazine says let's quit talking about another war, quit thinking about it, and apply ourselves to the task of making the United States the most progressive and prosperous Nation in the world. That's a good thought, especially at Christmastime. Russia, according to top military men, is not prepared for war and will not be prepared for some years to come. Meantime, let's keep our powder dry and be on the alert in case Russia gets tougher and tries to put over a fast one.

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Government surveys show that farmers work an average of 65 hours a week. Inflation would end if everybody worked an average of 65 hours a week. It's simple arithmetic that when we work less we produce less and therefore pay more for what we produce. God's original plan was for man to work six days a week and rest the seventh day. But man thinks he is smarter than God, so he works five days a week and rests the sixth and seventh days.

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I hope for a deep freeze in December—a hog-killing freeze. I have three fat porkers ready to be killed and made into spare-ribs, backbone, home-made sausage and hams. Christmas week is a delusion and a snare without spare-ribs or sausage sizzling in the pan. What finer breakfast than fluffy biscuits, home-cured ham, poached eggs, peach preserves and a cup or two of fragant coffee. I feel sorry for city folks who eat a breakfast of toast, jelly and coffee. No wonder the divorce rate is higher in cities than in rural communities. Getting up from the breakfast table hungry has been the cause of many divorces. Always start the day with a good breakfast and you will have vim, vigor and vitality.

TEXAS BRIEF NEWS---from Over the State

INTERNAL REVENUE COLLECTIONS

The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reported that the total Federal internal revenue collections for the State from July 1 through September 30, 1947, reached $241,309,020 to exceed the 1946 intake for the same period by five per cent.

LEADS FIGHT ON COMMUNISM

John Ben Shepperd, of Gladewater, national president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, told delegates to the recent State Jaycee convention in San Antonio that "good old American salesmanship is needed to fight Communism." He said: "It's time to let the eagle scream." He advocated a fifth freedom—freedom of opportunity in enterprise.

$15,000,000 RICE CROP

Rice farmers of the Texas Upper Gulf Coast black belt from Trinity to Sabine rivers are cleaning up the loose ends of a rice harvest that breaks all records, a crop that will bring growers more than $15,000,000. Good per-acre yield, harvest weather "unsurpassed in 32 years," and high prices account for the big figures, along with a greater acreage planted.

SENATOR TAFT PLANS VISIT TO TEXAS

Senator Robert A. Taft, of Ohio, is planning a presidential campaign visit to Texas during the Easter recess of Congress. The special session of Congress, which opened in November, caused Taft to cancel plans for speeches in Dallas and other Texas cities last month. Tentative plans for his Easter visit to this State were made in a recent conference with Col. R. B. Creager, of Brownsville, Republican national committeeman from Texas.

PAYS HIGH PRICE FOR "TIN LIZZIE"

R. L. Thacker, of San Augustine, a farmer, visited Houston recently with one purpose in mind—to find a Model T Ford. As a result, the used car market in Houston went into high gear when Thacker paid $995 in cash for a 1927 "tin lizzie." He said he had been looking for one for three years, "ever since my last one wore out." His last one was a 1910 model. He explained he had never driven anything in his life but a Model T.

500,000 POPPIES MADE BY VETS AT LEGION HOSPITAL

Five hundred thousand little red poppies, half of which will be sold by American Legion posts and auxiliaries next Memorial Day, have been made this year by disabled veterans in the Veterans Administration Hospital at Legion, Texas. The other half were sold last Armistice Day in various cities of Texas.

FAMILY OF FOUR GENERATIONS, ALL LIVING

Four generations without a death—that's the record of the J. B. Dunn family of 47 members, residents of Wichita and Clay counties. J. B. Dunn, age 81, came to north Clay county in 1887. Five years later he returned to North Carolina to bring back a wife, and from that marriage was born a family of 7 children, 7 children-in-law, 14 grandchildren, 7 grandchildren-in-law, and 10 great-grandchildren. There are three sets of fourth generations in the family, too, but so far not a child, grandchild, great-grandchild or an in-law has died. Dunn is a well-known cattleman and rancher in the Wichita Falls area.

TO MAKE "FLOUR" FROM PECAN SHELLS

The Lufkin Pecan Shelling Co., the only manufacturer of pecan shell "flour" in the Nation, will begin commercial operation early in 1948. The start of operations at the Lufkin plant will represent five years of research and an investment of about $250,000. The "flour," finely ground pecan shells, is marketable for use as a filler in plastic molding powders, insecticide powders, and as an extender in synthetic resin adhesives and glues, and also has proved successful for air-blasting of aircraft engines. The only other plant utilizing waste nut shell is in California where walnut shell is used.

WEST POINT OPENINGS FOR TEXAS NATIONAL GUARD

Appointments to the United States Military Academy at West Point, N. Y., open to Texas National Guard enlisted men, have been increased from five to seven. Gov. Beauford H. Jester said he was advised by the War Department that the appointments were open to enlisted men who could pass preliminary examinations similar to the entrance examination at West Point. Nominations should be filed with Maj. Gen. K. L. Berry, Texas adjutant general.

WINS FIRE SLOGAN

Sarah F. Wylie, of Cedar Hill, Dallas county, is $15 richer for suggesting the fire-prevention slogan picked as best in a Statewide school children's contest. The slogan: "Old Man Flame, Is he to Blame?"

HUNGRY FOR 'POSSUM DINNER

Thomas A. Lothlen, of Los Angeles, Calif., a former Texan, wants an old-fashioned 'possum dinner, and it seems he is going to get it. He wrote J. D. Walton, master of the Dallas public market, "I am hungry for a good old 'possum baked dinner. I can't find one in California. So the idea came to me to write the Dallas market master, and ask him to ship me one." Walton talked to W. B. Milam, an East Texas farmer, who brings his produce to the Dallas public market, and Milam has promised to fill Lothlens order. The 'possum will be shipped at once. "Nothin' to it," Farmer Milam told Walton, "I can send him a passel of 'possums. There's plenty where I come from."

MULE FROM ELLIS COUNTY WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

An Ellis county mule has scored again in national championship competition. One of the two geldings entered by the Ferris, Texas, Brick Co. in the 49th annual American Royal Livestock Show at Kansas City, Mo., drew down the blue ribbon as champion gelding. Ferris mules have have won numerous awards at shows throughout the Nation.

OLDEST CONFEDERATE ON STATE ROLLS

An Irish immigrant boy who joined the Confederate Army the day after he landed in this country at New Orleans in July, 1861, is the oldest Confederate soldier on the Texas pension rolls. He is Jeremiah P. O'Brien, of Kirbyville, 103 years old, who fought for the South right up to the surrender of Gen. Lee's Army in the peach orchard at Appomattox.

VALLEY'S CITRUS CROP GREATER THAN LAST YEAR

The Rio Grande Valley of Texas will produce a million boxes more grapefruit and 600,000 boxes more oranges this season than last, according to the latest citrus crop forecast by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The Valley's grapefruit production was estimated at 25 million boxes, the orange crop at 5,600,000 boxes. The Valley estimates were prepared by John Mackey, USDA statistician at Austin.

RADIO'S FORMER DR. I. Q. FINDS CHURCH BUILDING

When Rev. James McClain, formerly the Dr. I. Q. of radio fame, forsook the job as master of ceremonies of the popular quiz program in favor of a career in the ministry and chose Eastland as a starting point, he didn't have a church in which to hold his services. But he told his problem to a national radio audience and, as a result, was invited to inspect war surplus chapels at Camp Bowie, Texas, which had been turned over to the War Assets Administration. One of the chapels was moved to Eastland to become the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church.

HEARS FOR FIRST TIME SINCE SHE WAS A BABY

Miss Myrna Timberlake of Dalhart, Texas, is becoming acquainted with a whole new world. She heard her first sound in Dallas recently since losing her hearing as a result of influenza when a baby. She told friends that the sound of her own laughter frightened her as soon as she had completed treatment and found she could hear with the use of an aid. Major problems facing her now are learning to talk and to distinguish meaning of sounds.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Incident at Bethlehem

By Edgar A. Guest

There was no room at Bethlehem
Within the sheltering Inn for them;
No room among the roistering crowd
Of all the comfortable proud.
No thought of what their coming meant,
So to the stable they were sent.

Oh, there was straw for Mary's bed,
A strange star shining overhead,
But only shepherds, wondering,
Had heard the angel voices sing,
And dared to go, as they were told,
A new-born infant to behold.

Now, round the world in all the lands,
In memory still that stable stands.
The manger, where that infant slept,
Sacred in countless hearts is kept.
Still shines above that glorious star,
While all the great forgotten are.

SECOND OFFENDERS MAKE UP THIRD OF REFORMATORY POPULATION

Second offenders constitute a third of the inmate population at the Gainesville Reformatory for Boys, according to State Auditor C. H. Cavness. Of the 512 inmates present when Cavness made his check-up, 340 were first offenders and 172 second offenders. By ages, 78 were between ten and twelve; 318 were thirteen to fifteen, and 118 between sixteen and eighteen. Burglary was the most common offense, accounting for 220 of the total.

GAINESVILLE COMMUNITY CIRCUS REPRODUCED IN TEXTBOOK

The story of the Gainesville Community Circus is told as one of the lessons in "English for Every Use," textbook written by William M. Turner, head of the English department of Lexington, Mass., high schools. The book has just been published by Ginn & Co., Boston. Three pages are devoted to the story, "Biggest Home Town Show on Earth," reproducing the article from Coronet Magazine. The story is illustrated with pictures of Gainesville high school girls on a tableau wagon drawn by a four-pony team.

HALF OF CAPT. LUCEY'S ESTATE GIVEN HOSPITALS AND SALVATION ARMY

The substantial part of the vast oil estate of the late Capt. J. F. Lucey, of Dallas, will go to three Dallas hospitals and to the Salvation Army, filing of the oilman's will for probate revealed. The Lucey estate was listed as "in excess of $2,500,000." The will sets up trusts totaling $1,750,000 for six heirs. After this and all Federal and State inheritance taxes are paid, the remainder of the estate was left to Baylor, Methodist and St. Paul's hospitals, and to the Texas branch of the Salvation Army.

SAYS SCHOOLS ARE KEY TO U. S. FUTURE

America's future depends upon the efficiency of education, and Texas teachers colleges are molding the pattern for the public schools, Gov. Beauford H. Jester said in an address at East Texas State Teachers College in Commerce. Gov. Jester was the principal speaker at the inauguration of Dr. James Gee as president of East Texas State. "We do with our future what today we do with our schools," the Governor declared.

A DISILLUSIONED TEXAS PLUMBER

Gold is where you find it, even in the humdrum life of a plumber. Take the case of Pancho Trevino, plumber of the Webb county jail at Laredo. Working on a stopped-up pipe, Trevino dug out a watch and chain, rings and $875 in cash. Elated over his good fortune, Trevino mentioned it to one of the deputies at the jail. The deputy found that the cache was part of the loot of a 12-year-old boy held on numerous burglary charges.

MEXICO BACKS TEXAS IN CATTLE DISEASE FIGHT

The Union Ganadera Regional de Coahuila, a Mexican cattle raisers' association, has voiced its support of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers' Association program against foot and mouth disease. The Texas group's board of directors has received the following telegram from Arturo Santos, president of the Coahuila organization: "We will co-operate with your association in any way possible to help in the program to combat foot and mouth disease in Mexico."

TEXAS BUILDING RECORD HIGH

The Texas Contractor, trade magazine published in Austin, reports that Texas construction awards from January through November, 1947, total $585,403,830, more than $170,000,000 ahead of the record for the same period last year. November construction, led by heavy demands for more housing, added $62,647,927, double the amount for November, 1946. Veterans of World War II lead all groups in demands for residential buildings.

"PAPA" CONTINUES IN PULPIT

"Papa" is still preaching, although he warned his daughter he would have to quit the pulpit if she wrote that book—"Papa Was a Preacher"—published three years ago and of which 150,000 copies have been sold. The author is Alyne Porter, of Dallas, and "Papa" is the Rev. R. E. Porter, pastor of the First Methodist Church, of Bogata, Texas.

FIRST BRITISH COTTON ORDER

Reports that Great Britain soon would begin buying cotton in large quantities again have buoyed Houston's cotton trade. The first order will be for approximately 50,000 bales, with other orders to follow, cotton men said. Great Britain has not been active in the cotton market for six or seven months. Other European countries are expected to make big cotton purchases in Texas soon.

HIGHLIGHTS OF FAT STOCK SHOW PROGRAM

Six new livestock buildings, costing about $1,200,000, are being rushed to completion for the opening of the earlier Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, January 30 through February 8, at Will Rogers Memorial Coliseum in Fort Worth. The new dates were set for greater exhibitor convenience. Verne Elliott's championship rodeo and the Broadway laugh riot, "Hellzapoppin'," starring Olsen and Johnson in person, are high-lights on the show's 1948 program.

ARTIFICIAL BREEDING A SUCCESS

A sturdy-legged, healthy Jersey heifer calf is the successful culmination of Kerr county's first venture in artificial breeding. The project was carried out by the Hill Country Artificial Breeding Association and the calf was raised on the farm of L. A. Ballard near Center Point. The animal proved to be such an excellent specimen that it is causing considerable interest among livestock raisers all over Texas.

CANYON GETS INDIAN RELICS

When the second unit of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum at Canyon is completed—a campaign for funds for that purpose is under way—it will house one of the largest collections of Indian relics in the Plains region of the Southwest. Outstanding among the collections donated to the museum is that which formerly belonged to Miss Susan J. Allen, of Philadelphia. As a memorial to her parents, Miss Allen gave this valuable group of relics which she gathered during many years of collecting artifacts of American Indian culture.

SPORTING News

APPROACH of the Christmas season brings memories to thousands of Texans of the stirring battles of the past for the State high school football championship, always decided about the time Kris Kringle pays his annual visit.

Texas boasts what is generally conceded to be the greatest schoolboy athletic organization in the Nation—the vast Interscholastic League, operated by the University of Texas.

A true champion is determined each year during the football season, between mid-September and the last week or ten days of December, although several hundred teams participate. This is possible because of the perfected set-up of the League.

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STARTED WITH BATTLE IN MUD BACK IN 1920

The first game of the championship series was played at Austin, in 1920, on a field knee-deep in mud and ended in a scoreless tie between Houston Heights High of Houston, and Cleburne High.

The powerful Chris Cortemeglia, later a star for Southern Methodist University, led the strong Bryan, Tex., High eleven to a 36 to 13 victory over Oak Cliff High of Dallas, at Dallas in 1921.

Waco, sparked by the magnificent Boody Johnson, beat Abilene, 13 to 10, in Fort Worth in 1922, and Abilene returned the compliment by shading Waco, 3 to 0, in Dallas in 1923.

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"COLDEST GAME" PLAYED IN DALLAS IN 1924

The "coldest' of all the titular clashes likely was that between Waco and Oak Cliff in old Fair Park Stadium in Dallas in 192[illegible]. The thermometer stood at about 15 above zero and the field was frozen solid. Spectators built small bonfires along the sidelines, huddling over the flames throughout the long afternoon in a vain attempt to keep warm. Oak Cliff's Leopards proved better suited to Arctic conditions and romped over Waco's Tigers, 31 to 0.

Another of the memorable games of the long string of Texas schoolboy championship conflicts was that played in 1930 in T.C.U. Stadium in Fort Worth. Amarillo's Golden Sandstorm was a heavy favorite to defeat an outweighed Tyler High team.

Amarillo lived up to advance notices in the first half, sweeping to a 13 to 0 lead. But Tyler, starring Harry Johnson, who became a topnotcher at Southern Methodist, staged a brilliant comeback to emerge victorious by a count of 25 to 13.

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OTHER FINE GAMES, BUT THOSE ARE STAND-OUTS

Down through the years there have been other great games, and no doubt, the 1947 monarch will be crowned only after a vicious struggle, but the contests reviewed in the foregoing paragraphs are those that will live longest in the memory of Texas fans.

Other epochal battles, reviewing them in brief, were these: The scoreless tie between little Masonic Home of Fort Worth, and Corsicana High, with Corsicana being awarded the title under the 20-yard-line penetrations rule; Longview High's rout of Corpus Christi, with the scintillating Miller brothers rising to heavenly heights to achieve the triumph, and Port Arthur's upset of Highland Park (Dallas).

In summing up the series it should be pointed out that Waco and Amarillo have won the most championships, four each. Waco took the honors in 1922, '25, '26 and '37, and Amarillo ascended the throne in 1934, '35, '36 and '40.

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BOODY JOHNSON USUALLY RATED FINEST PLAYER

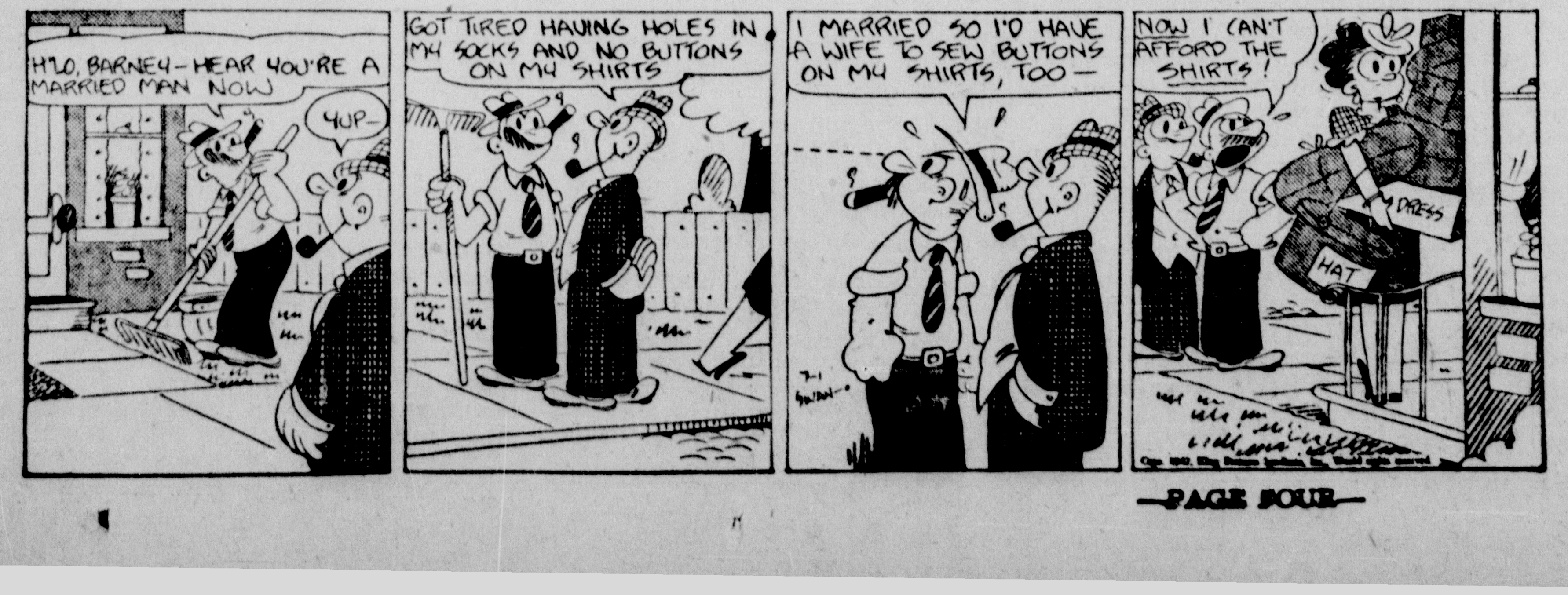
Who was the greatest of all the players in these titular feuds? Most fans agree that the honor should go to Boody Johnson, the all-around Waco master.

But, they hasten to add, it must be remembered that two immortals of Texas high school football performed in the days before the Interscholastic League was organized. These Hall of Fame athletes were Alvin Nugent (Bo) McMillin of Fort Worth's North Side High, and Benny Lee Boynton of Waco, both of whom played about the time World War I started.

McMillin now is head coach of the University of Indiana, and Boynton is a prominent insurance man in Dallas.—Z. H.

THE FLOP FAMILY

By SWAN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Santa Claus

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His popularity zoomed, traveled down the Rhine, spread to Belgium and The Netherlands.

In Austria, France, Germany and the low countries also, he gradually was made the patron saint of children, finally emerging as the special bearer of gifts to deserving boys and girls.

Procession of "Imps"

In some of these countries his memory was honored by appointment each December 6 of "boy bishops." Wearing the clothing of his high office and flanked by two "angels" who carried baskets of sweets and gifts, the "boy bishop" each year led a procession of children and charcoal-smeared "imps" to the door of the local church.

While the "imps" waited outside to pounce on intruding adults, the other children entered the church. Questioned by the "bishop" on behavior during the year, each was rewarded with gifts or candy by the angels according to his merits.

After the ceremony, the "imps" rushed into the church to join revels which often continued half through the night. The custom, however, was abolished in 1450.

How Names Originated

Gradually the name of the Christmas saint began to take on the character of the country which commemorated him. Religious Germany associated him with the Christ Child—the Krist Kindicin—and called him Kriss Kringle. In England, where his popularity began to rise at about the beginning of Victoria's reign, he was—and still is—Father Christmas.

In Holland he always has been Sant Nikolaas, and so was called by the Dutch children brought across the ocean to settle a new land. When the English took over New Amsterdam in 1664, the best their tongue-twisting could do with the name was Santa Claus.

So we have our saint child in Russian garb driving a Scandinavian vehicle and brought here by the Dutch. But a saint who like many another product of our national melting pot, has become triumphantly all-American.

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A LITTLE FUN *Jokes to Make You Laugh*

Did As He Was Told

The florist's new assistant picked up the phone and listened attentively as he heard the order.

"The ribbon must be extra wide," the man was saying, "with the 'Rest in Peace' on both sides, and if there is room, 'We Shall Meet in Heaven'."

There was a sensation when the flowers arrived at the funeral. True, the ribbon was extra wide, but the inscription it bore read: "Rest in peace on both sides, and if there is room, we shall meet in heaven."

Must Be Lonesome

My son, Billy, had just returned from Sunday School, where he had been told that liars do not go to heaven.

"Does father ever lie, mother?" he asked.

"I imagine so," I replied.

"Well, do you, an' Uncle Bill, an' Aunt Betty ever lie?"

"I guess we all do occasionally," I admitted.

Then after a slight pause, "Gosh, it must be awful lonesome in heaven with nobody around but God and George Washington."

One Way to Look at It

A spry old gentleman was smoking in the bus. The conductor said to him: "Don't you see that sign that says 'No Smoking Allowed'?"

"Of course I do," replied the old man, "but how can you expect me to observe all your rules? There's another sign that says, 'Wear Spiral Corsets'."

Swapping Jokes

Mr. Wood, a man very fond of playing jokes, met his friend, Mr. Stone, and at once inquired facetiously: "Hello, Stone, how are Mrs. Stone and all the little pebbles?"

"Fine," said Mr. Stone, "all well thank you," and then with a twinkle in his eye, he added: "How are Mrs. Wood and all the little splinters?"

Big Baby Blue Eyes

A vivacious brunette of about 40 was standing on the promenade at a seaside resort, when she heard an admiring whistle from a very young sailor. He ambled up smiling, with his cap pushed jauntily to one side.

"Son," she reproved him gently, amused and somewhat flattered, "don't you try and flirt with me! I'm a grandmother."

"But, Grandmother," replied the undismayed sailor, "what big baby blue eyes you do have!"

Limited Blessing

In Hollywood Edith Gwynn reports that when Pat O'Brien's priest blessed his St. Christopher's medal so that Pat would be safe while driving his automobile, the good padre cautioned: "Remember, the blessing is good only up to 35 miles per hour."

That's Different

Once when a committee called on John Jacob Astor for a subscription for a worthy charity, Astor gave $50. One of the committee members remarked, "But Mr. Astor, your son William gave us $100!"

"Yes," said the old man, 'but you must remember that William has a rich father."

Milk Bottle Notes

Horace B. Hatton, official of a Baltimore dairy, collects notes left in milk bottles as some collect stamps. Among the prizes of his collection are these:

"Dear Milkman: Please leave three quarts of milk and one cigarette. I am smoking my last one as I write this note."

"Dear Milkman: Nothing today. Just two quarts of milk."

"Milkman: We are going away on our vacation. Will not need any milk until we return. Please be sure to leave two quarts on the day we return, but we can't be sure just what day that will be."

Author of "JINGLE BELLS"

By the EDITOR

INTERSPERSED among the Christmas carols sung in every city, town and hamlet on Christmas Eve is a little New England folk song known and loved by young and old for nearly a hundred years.

And when the carollers sing "Jingle Bells," which they do many times during the course of the evening, they laugh as they clasp hands and jump up and down to the gay and lively tune.

"Jingle Bells" is heard continually on the radio during the Winter. No popular sing-song is complete without it. When there's snow on the ground, every sleighing party gives voice to this only song of its kind that we have.

What is the story of this little song that thus dares to intrude itself among the sacred carols of the Christmas season?

The words and music were written by a gray-eyed, tall, thin young man who lived in West Medford, Mass., but so little recognition has been given its author that in most collections of songs "Jingle Bells" is marked anonymous, or bears no notation at all.

One day in the 1850's, James Pierpont left his father's house on Mystic Street in West Medford, and hurried to the home of Mrs. Otis Waterman, who lived in an apartment house which had been remodeled from an old tavern.

Mrs. Waterman was a young widow and amateur singer, and besides that, there was in her home a piano (somewhat of a novelty in those days), which belonged to one William Webber, popular music director in the Medford schools and leader of the local singing school, who boarded with her.

"I have a little song in my head and I have written it down to see what you think of it," confided James Pierpont to Mrs. Waterman, as he sat down at the piano and started to play.

"Why, I think it is a very merry little jingle," encouraged Mrs. Waterman.

The song, of course, was "Jingle Bells."

This story is vouched for by Mrs. Stella Howe of Boston, grand-niece of Mrs. Waterman.

James Pierpont, fifth of the six children of Rev. John Pierpont, was born in Boston, April 25, 1822.

The composer of "Jingle Bells" is said to have been a fascinating sort of wanderer brought up in a strict family atmosphere. He was musically inclined, but that talent was frowned upon by his father.

At 14, he ran away to sea, but evidently returned to the family later.

Sometime in the early 1850's, he went to California. He was not a "forty-niner," but seems to have been there when things were booming. Whatever money he made, it is apparent that he lost it.

James Pierpont, who died in Winter Haven, Fla., in August, 1893, wrote many other songs besides "Jingle Bells." Some of these are "Kitty Crow," a ballad published in 1853; "The Colored Coquette," for the pianoforte, 1853; "I Mourn for My Old Cottage Home," for the piano, 1856; "The Know Nothing Polka," 1857; "Poor Elsie," a ballad, dated 1858, and "Good Night," a ballad, undated.

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Jean Jacques

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birds, whistles, and candy boxes, red, green, yellow and gold hung on strings from the boughs.

Father Held Her Up

"A little girl stood on a chair and began to light the white candles one at a time. 'I can't reach the top,' she said to her father, 'it is too high up, just under the star.' Her father held her up in his arms—she lit the last candle. He set her down and together they stood, hand in hand, looking at the shimmer of the candles on the silver rope."

"Grandfather," said Mary, "you are a swell reader. I never saw a tree like that. Turn the page, grandfather, quick—there is a picture on the next one—of the tree." Great-grandfather turned the page. The page was empty.

"Why, it was there last year," cried Mary, sitting up very straight. "I saw it. I saw it myself. Where is it gone?"

Quietly Resumes Reading

Her great-grandfather quietly began to read again.

"I sprang from my bed to see
what was the matter
When out on the roof I heard
such a clatter."

"The reindeer are on the next page," said Mary, excitedly. "They are all covered with bells, and behind them is a big red sleigh all full of lovely presents." "Turn the page, grandfather, turn it quickly, please." Mary grabbed the book and turned—the page had nothing on it. "They have all gone way off," said Mary. "I must be dreaming, let me look at the page again. Grandfather, did you see any reindeer—where did they go?"

Shook Like Bowl of Jelly

"In the sleigh sat a little fat man with a great white beard. On his head was a red cap and his belly was so fat that it stuck out like a big sofa cushion before him. He began to laugh and shook like a bowl full of jelly."

"Grandfather," cried Mary, "That picture is at the back of the book. Hurry, turn over, let me see if it is there." The place was just as empty as the others.

Mary put the book down and looked at her great-grandfather. "There is something very goofy here. Where did those pictures go? Grandfather, I think you and I are goofy too."

"Close your eyes tight," said Mary's great-grandfather, "and promise not to peep."

"I promise," said Mary, "honest."

"Open Your Eyes Wide"

He took the little girl in his arms and walked toward the back of the room. "Open your eyes," he whispered, "open them wide."

Mary opened them—and there against a bookcase stood a beautiful Christmas tree covered with snow, with icicles, with silver rope, with colored bells, and on the end of each branch was a white candle.

"Put me down, grandfather, put me down. Pinch me, grandfather, pinch me. Am I awake? Is it real? Honest, is it real?"

"Mary," he said, "here is a taper. Light the candles."

She lit them one by one.

"Grand-daddy, hold me up so that I can light the toppiest one."

He held her up, while she lighted it, and then they walked across the room and stood, hand in hand, looking at the tree.

Bells Jingle, Hoofs Clatter

Outside on the snow-covered lawn was a jingle of bells and a clatter of hoofs. "Reindeer!" exclaimed Mary. "Reindeer, with bells and everything."

Her grandfather threw open the window and in came four little reindeer with strings of brass bells about their necks, and frozen breath upon their noses, which melted and dripped on the floor. Behind them was a sleigh and in the sleigh—a red sleigh—were presents—dolls, an electric stove, a Noah's Ark with animals that stuck their heads out of the windows and made noises like real animals do.

There was a funny little theater with a stage, and funny men and women all dressed up, that worked with strings. There were skates, a bicycle, a sled, and most wonderful of all, an elephant that walked, wagged its ears, and held out its trunk

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Sugar-Saving Candy Making Tips

By JOSEPHINE GIBSON

HOW CAN there be holiday feasting without candies and other sweet tidbits? If you are worrying about providing sweets with the sugar crock almost empty, try these sugar-saving sweets.

MOLASSES PEPPERMINT TAFFY

Combine:
- 2 cups light molasses
- 4 tablespoons butter

Cook until a small amount forms a hard ball when dropped in cold water (275 degrees), stirring frequently. Pour batch at once into greased baking tin or marble slab. As edges cool, turn toward center with spatula or edge will be hard before center is ready to pull. When cool enough to handle, make a little hollow in the taffy and add:
- 3 or 4 drops oil of peppermint.

Gather into a ball. Pull, using fingertips until light. Stretch into long rope and cut in 1-inch pieces. When thoroughly cooled wrap pieces in waxed paper. Makes 1½ pounds.

COFFEE CARAMELS

Combine:
- ½ cup ground coffee
- ½ cup boiling water

Add and scald 10 minutes:
- 2 cups evaporated milk

Strain through cheese cloth and measure. There should be two cups. Boil together:
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 cups white corn syrup
- few grains salt

Cook mixture to 245 degrees to make a very thick syrup. Add, very slowly so as not to stop boiling, coffee mixture and:
- ½ cup butter

Cook quickly, while stirring constantly, to 242 degrees (firm ball stage). Add:
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Pour into buttered pans to ¾-inch thickness. Cool. Before candy sets, mark into squares. Chill until very firm. Remove to cutting board and use a large knife to cut into squares.

CHOCOLATE FUDGE

Combine:
- 2 squares chocolate
- ⅔ cup milk, scalded

Heat slowly until chocolate is melted and add:
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- ½ cup chopped nut meats, if desired

Melt chocolate in heavy, shallow saucepan. Add sweetened condensed milk, corn syrup and salt. Cook slowly, stirring constantly, over low heat until mixture forms firm ball when tested in cold water (about 20 minutes). Remove from heat. Add vanilla and nut meats. Pour at once into buttered pan (8x8 inches). When cold, cut into squares. Remove from pan. Makes 1¼ pounds.

ORANGE COCOANUT FUDGE

Combine.
- 2 cups sugar
- 1 cup evaporated milk
- ¼ teaspoon salt

Heat, stirring constantly until sugar is dissolved. Then boil without stirring to the soft ball stage, 238 degrees. Remove from heat and cool to lukewarm. Spread over bottom of buttered pan:
- 2 tablespoons cocoanut
- 2 teaspoons grated orange rind

Add to candy mixture:
- 2 tablespoons butter
- ⅓ cup cocoanut
- ¼ teaspoon vanilla

Beat until mixture begins to stiffen. Pour into pan over cocoanut and orange rind. Cut into squares.

APRICOT COCOANUT BALLS

- 1½ cups dried apricots, ground
- 2 cups shredded cocoanut
- ⅔ cup sweetened condensed milk
- Confectioner's sugar

Mix apricots and cocoanut. Moisten with sweetened condensed milk. Shape into balls and roll in confectioner's sugar. Let stand until firm. Makes about 32 balls.

Children take great delight in helping prepare the holiday sweets. Here, two boys are stirring in the sugar for a batch of home-made candy.

Texas Farm News

Meet "Miss Cock-a-Doodle-Doo of the Lower Rio Grande Valley." The plump red hen, entered in a "beauty" contest at the Edinburg poultry show, nosed out six other contestants for the title and prize. Some of her rivals were ribbon-bedecked white pullets.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Economics estimates there are 42,459,000 chickens on Texas farms. This figure tops that of all States with the exception of Iowa, which has 54,169,000. The estimate is based on reports from rural mail carriers, crop and stock reports, and hatcheries.

A crop of hairy vetch, fortified by 200 pounds of 20 per cent superphosphate an acre, moved a strip of farmland in Young county, Texas, from the red to the profit side of the ledger this year. The plot, comprising 30 acres of Brazos river sandy soil, had not yielded crops which paid the cost of production for several years, said County Agent R. C. Dunkle. Then J. B. Fore, Jr., ex-serviceman and operator of the farm, in October, 1946, prepared and seeded the acreage. From it he harvested 8,040 pounds of clean vetch seed. His gross return from the 30 acres was $1,698, of which $1,608 was from the seed.

Texas has the second largest acreage devoted to certified tree farms of all the States in the Nation. Authority for this statement is the recent report compiled by J. C. McClellan, assistant forester of the American Forest Products Industries. According to the report, Texas has a total of 2,401,613 acres in its tree farm program. This is exceeded only by the 3,009,843 acres credited to Arkansas. Three years ago, McClellan said, Texas had only 262,371 total tree farm acres.

Howard Altenhof, 17, of New Braunfels, won the national Wilson meat animal award at the 4-H Club Congress in Chicago early in December.

The chemical weed killer known as 2-4-D is blamed for losses amounting to $200,000 in the cotton fields of Matagorda county. H. D. Madsen, of Danevang, president of the Cotton Farmers Protective Association, said that 2,000 acres of cotton in the county were ruined when wind drove the chemical, intended to dust rice fields, across the cotton lands.

At no time since the war have prospects for dairying looked as good as at present, according to Charles V. Griffin, Brown county agent. He points out that the shortage of dairy cows is acute. For the past nine years an average of 60 per cent of the milk cows have been bred to beef type bulls, which, Griffin says, is one of the principal reasons for the shortage. More people, he adds, are using milk, cheese, cream and butter. "Of course," the agent concluded, "dairy feed is high, but with careful planning and management, good dairy cows will not only pay for themselves, but will afford a good living as well."

Among the thousands of gifts delivered to Buckingham Palace in London for Princess Elizabeth's wedding was a 21-pound bag of pecans, sent by E. Guy Risien, of San Saba. This is not the first time British royalty has received pecans from the Risien orchards. The late Queen Victoria, great-grandmother of the princess, received pecans from the late E. E. Risien, father of E. Guy Risien. The elder Risien was a native of England and an admirer of the late queen.

Seventy-six railway carlots of red grapefruit are on the way from the Rio Grande Valley of Texas to Belgium and Switzerland. Shippers at Brownsville reported that the people in those European countries are particularly fond of the crimson-flesh citrus fruit, raised only in the Texas Valley.

Farm income for the Rio Grande Valley of Texas for the first eight months this year exceeded by nine million dollars the previous record set in the same period of 1946. The new all-time record is $124,648,000. These figures were released by the Bureau of Business Research of the University of Texas.

It is not mentioned in conventional history books, but Christopher Columbus was America's first cattleman, says Dr. John Ashton, professor of agricultural economics at Texas A. & M. College. "There were no farm animals of any kind on the Western Hemisphere until Columbus had imagination enough to bring them over on his second voyage in 1493 and turn them loose," said the A. & M. professor who is the author of a forthcoming book on the Texas cattle industry.

More than 5,000 turkeys were driven through the streets of Cuero in the parade which features that Texas town's annual Turkey Trot. Later, in ceremonies at the municipal airport, addresses were delivered by Gov. Beauford H. Jester and Rep. John Lyle of Corpus Christi. Miss Mary Helen Burns, Cuero blonde, was crowned Sultana Oreuc X by Sultan Yekrut X, in private life Joe S. Edgar, Jr., Cuero banker.

Next fall farmers and ranchmen will be going to their seed stores and calling for Texas Rescue 46. Rescue grass, a native of South America, is a winter annual which produces green feed when most other grasses are dead or dormant. Early ranchmen named it "rescue" because it came to their rescue when most needed. Since 1941, the Agricultural Experiment Station at Texas A. & M. College has been making selections from both native rescue grass and several strains of seed. It was found that rescue differed greatly in height, leafiness, seed production, and resistance to disease. Out of these tests came Texas Rescue 46. Foundation seed was placed with Texas registered seed growers in September, 1946, and the seed will be available for general planting next fall.

Muskrat trappers, toiling hip-deep in the muck of almost impenetrable marshes of the Texas-Louisiana coast country, may reap the richest harvest in the history of the back-breaking industry, fur buyers and trappers predict. Eleven to 12,000,000 rat skins, selling for near-record prices ranging from $1.30 to $2.25 per pelt, may be taken in the bistate area, industry leaders say. The season opened November 15 and will close March 15.

A Texas negro "city farmer" who really made a big crop on a small scale is Block Carroll, who lives at Paris. Carroll picked up a potato slip out of some garbage he was hauling last spring. He set it out in his back yard. The vine grew rapidly, spreading 25 feet in all directions, and when Block dug his crop he got 35 pounds of sweet potatoes.

Cotton stalks should be plowed under just as soon as the last boll is picked in the field, county agents throughout the State advise farmers. This, they explain, is a good way to starve the boll weevil before he goes into hibernation for the winter. Also, they add, cotton stalks turned under green make a good green manure crop, which helps the soil. In addition, plowing now will help to clean up fields that have grass or weeds in them.

A new method of water distribution which may revolutionize irrigation has been demonstrated on the farm of Perry Bowser, west of Kress. Instead of getting the water to the crops through irrigation ditches, the new system employs the sprinkler method. Advantages of the new method are said to include an even distribution of water, the ability to water crops growing on a hillside or where terraces exist, the need for only one ditch, and the elimination of run-off, washing, crusting and waste. Standard equipment can deliver four acre-inches an hour or 1,500 gallons a minute. A special feature includes a method of distributing fertilizer in the water, thus insuring uniformity of distribution.

Goats have assumed the calf-feeding chore on the farm of Byford McQuiston near Nacogdoches. When a calf is born in the McQuiston dairy herd, there's no such thing as a drop in milk production. The day a calf is born, it is turned over to a nanny goat to raise, and the cow that mothered the calf goes on producing milk for sale. To raise a young calf, McQuiston says, it takes a gallon of milk daily for 120 days, or an investment at prevailing milk prices of $64 or more. The goats save this money. "Not only that, but the calves are healthier when they're raised on goat's milk," McQuiston adds.

Waters S. Davis, Galveston county ranchman, can't figure out whether he ought to be ranching or seed-farming. The stockman recently told Galveston County Agent M. B. Vieman that the yields off the Dallis grass in his pastures rival, in cash return, the beef cattle he markets. After his cattle grazed permanent pasture up until last June 1, Davis has harvested two crops of Dallis grass seed from the pasture, with yields ranging around 50 and 74 pounds to the acre. With the demand and price for seed like it is, he says he can make almost as much from this "catch" seed crop as he can raising cattle.

Jack Hill, McKinney citizen who owns a farm north of Celina, says he's now "seen everything." Recently, a group of Mexican cotton pickers came to Mr. Hill's farm and he put them to work gathering the fleecy bolls. Among them was a man who was totally blind. Hill is authority for the statement that the sightless Mexican picked 93 pounds of cotton in one day.

Miss Jackie Jean Brock, 18, of Floydada, received a $100 college scholarship for achievement and leadership in farm work at the 26th National 4-H Club Congress. The 4-H Congress was held in connection with the International Livestock Exposition.

Setting the pace for the Leghorn entries, the entry of D. Del Buono, of Clifton, in the Georgia National Egg-Laying Test won honors for Leghorns and fourth place for the test during the first month of the 1948-49 competition held at Athens, Ga.

The recent purchase by J. L. Pulley, of Uvalde, of 352 registered Angora goats from G. A. Bonner, of Leakey, is said to constitute the second largest such transaction on record. Bonner has developed what is regarded as one of the outstanding flocks in the entire Nation. Since 1940, his goats reportedly have won more major show premiums than any other flock. Until this year, his entries had won both championships in the annual shearing contest held by the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association every year since the contest was started.

Texas farm cash income for the first eight months of 1947 reached $953,861,000 to exceed the total for the comparable 1946 period by nearly 300 million dollars, the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports. Higher dollar value of crops brought the increased income, the statistical agency said. The northern high plains of the State had the highest gain, 130%, of any district; the trans-Pecos region, where a 30 per cent slump was recorded, had the lowest income.

Some very interesting information concerning the value of hairy vetch as a green manure crop recently was released by M. K. Thornton, extension agricultural chemist of Young county. He said that hairy vetch that yielded 2,000 pounds of hay will return to the land 41.4 pounds of nitrogen. Farmers who have inspected bales of hairy vetch hay agree it is of excellent quality.

Trapper Lewis McDonough was the scourge of coyotes in Motley county last year. With a catch of 918 of the varmints, which fatten on farmers' chickens and sheep, McDonough was the No. 1 coyote catcher in the Lubbock district, comprising more than 40 counties. Dickens county, with a bag of 520, provided the second highest catch in the district.

Members of the Hamlin, Texas, Future Farmers of America chapter, interested in better hogs and improved swine production, have organized a Duroc Swine Club, according to T. C. Blankenship, their advisor. The swine club is composed of seven members, who pooled their resources and purchased the Duroc sow, Daisy Jane, dam of champion barrows at Houston and Fort Worth livestock shows, and at the State Fair of Texas.

Texas honey production for 1947 is estimated at 13,140,000 pounds, the result of a record high yield of 45 pounds of honey per bee colony, says the U. S. Department of Agriculture. This increased production represents a twenty per cent gain over last year's crop of 10,920,000 pounds. Texas beemen had 292,000 colonies at the start of the 1947 season, compared with 273,000 last year. The USDA attributed the increased nectar flow in large measure to a larger huban clover acreage over the State.

Dynamiting has proved successful for knocking pecans off trees at the A. I. Fabis farm north of Brownwood, according to Fabis. He said he had received inquiries—and orders for pecans—from all over Texas as a result of the experiment. Fabis found that a full stick of dynamite placed in the top of the older and larger trees is most effective. He waited until frost to use the dynamite on younger and smaller trees for most effective dislodgement of the nuts. He advised against careless and indiscriminate use of dynamite for the purpose.

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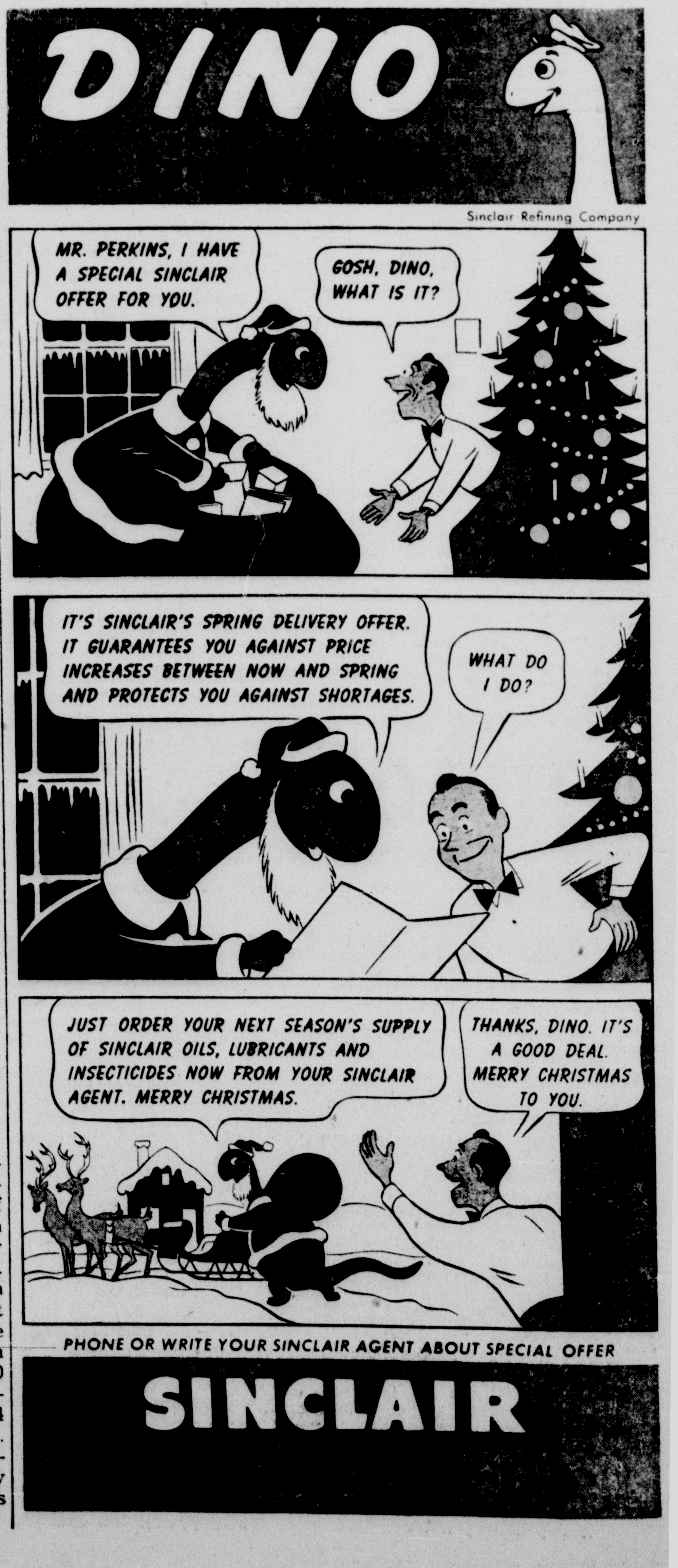
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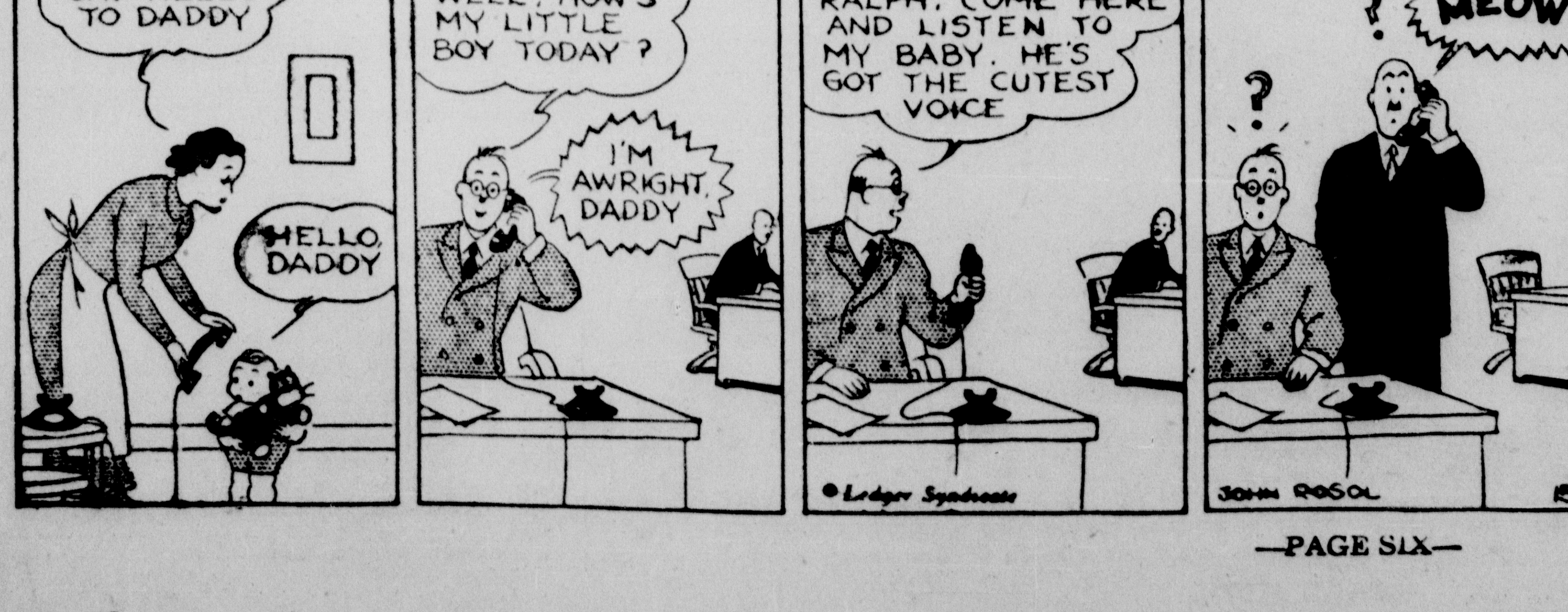
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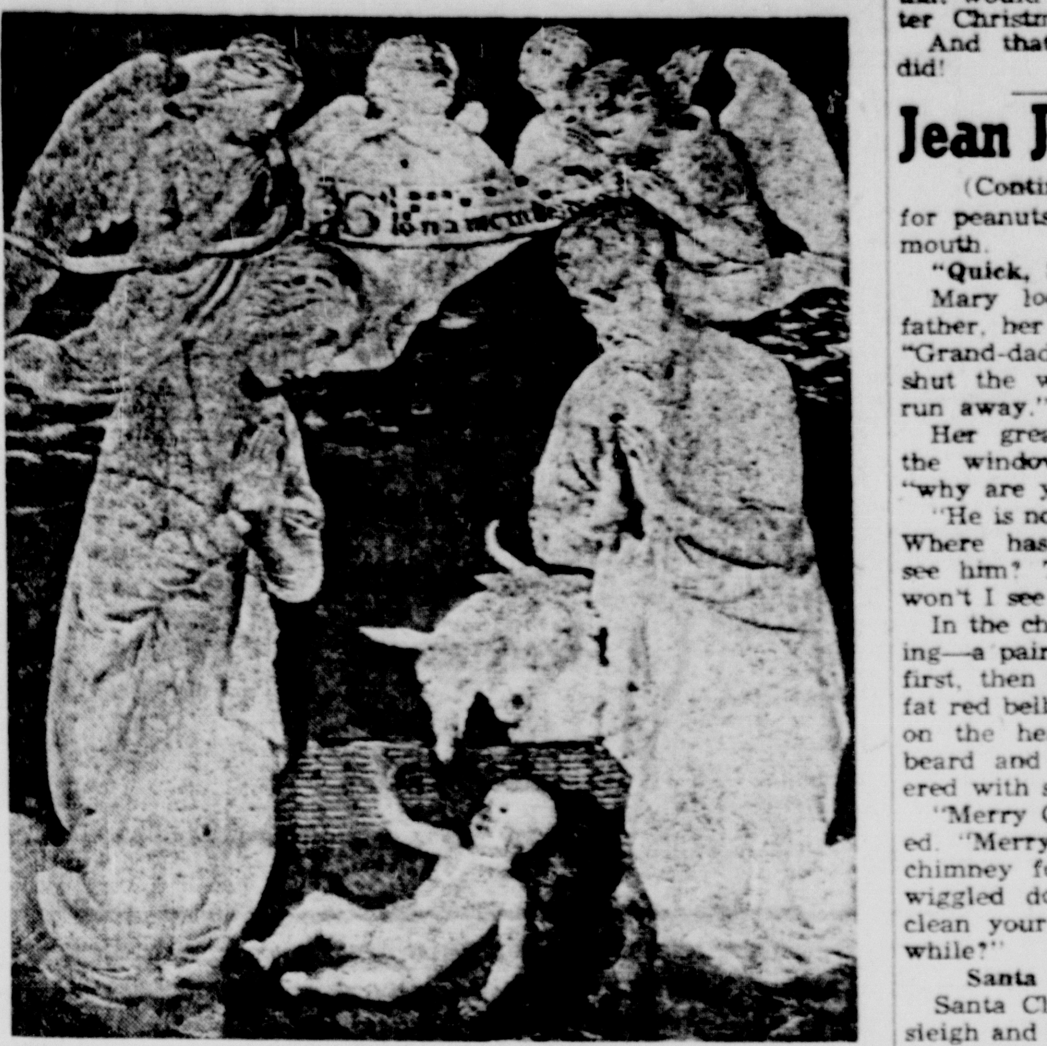


One of the world's masterpieces dealing with the birth of Christ is this painting by Lucca del Robbia, dated 1463, and titled, "Nativity with Gloria."

BIRTH AND JOURNEYS OF CHRIST

In the fourth year before the opening of the Christian Era, Joseph, a carpenter of Galilee, obedient to a degree of Caesar Augustus — that all the world should be taxed, every one in his own city—went with Mary, his wife, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea, unto the city of David—called Bethlehem — because he was of the house and lineage of David.

And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered and she brought forth her firstborn Son, and wrapped Him in swaddling clothes, and laid Him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn.

In the same country were shepherds, keeping watch over their flock by night and, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and they were sore afraid, and the angel said, Fear not: for, behold, I bring tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day a Saviour. And suddenly there was a multitude of the Heavenly Host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. And the shepherds came and found the babe lying in a manger and made known abroad the saying concerning the child, and all that heard it wondered. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

Now came eastern wise men to Jerusalem, following the child's star, and Herod the king was troubled for prophesy had told that from Bethlehem would come a ruler of all Israel, and he sent the wise men there, saying, search diligently, and when ye have found the child bring me word that I may come and worship Him also. And, lo, the star led them to where the young child was, and they fell down and worshipped Him; and presented unto Him gifts, and they returned not to Herod, but departed another way.

Forty days after His birth, the child was presented at the temple in Jerusalem, whence the family returned to Nazareth.

But Joseph, fearful of Herod's wrath, soon fled with Mary and the child into Egypt and Herod, unaware of their escape, slew the babies in Bethlehem and all the coasts thereof.

When Herod died, Joseph returned with Mary and the child to Israel, but hearing that Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of his father Herod, he was afraid to go thither, and turned aside into the parts of Galilee.

In his twelfth year, taken to Jerusalem for the Passover, the child, for three days was lost from his kin, and they found Him in the temple questioning with the doctors.

And He dwelt in Nazareth until His thirtieth year, an humble carpenter, increasing in wisdom and stature and in favour with God and man.

When Christ began to be about thirty years of age He was baptized in the river Jordan, by his cousin, John the Baptist, and passed forty days in the wilderness near Jericho, and began His ministry preaching in the synagogues in Galilee, in Nazareth and in Capernaum.

Soon He gathered about Him disciples, and the chiefest were the twelve chosen as His apostles, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, James and John, Philip and Bartholomew, Matthew and Thomas, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon called Zelotes, and Judas the brother of James and Judas Iscariot which also was the traitor. And He carried His teachings to all the regions about Galilee.

And Christ led His apostles into a desert place of Bethsaida, and foretold His fate, and set His and their steps toward Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover by Jericho, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called the mount of Olives.

On the Sunday in April before the Feast when Christ was thirty-four years old He rode into Jerusalem, returning at eventide to Bethany, and the next three days went He also into the city and did preach in the temple, and on the fourth evening He sat in Jerusalem sharing with the twelve the Passover feast, and near midnight, in the garden of Gethsemane on Olivet, whither He had gone after the Feast, He was seized by His enemies and sent bound to the high priest of Caiaphas, and tried in the morning by the Sanhedrin, and taken before Pilate and Herod Antipas and sentenced to be crucified, and He carried His cross to Calvary, and on that afternoon died upon the cross.

SURPRISE CHRISTMAS TREE

Bobby and Jack and Beverly and Jean were tramping through the woods on Bobby's farm. Bobby's daddy was with them. Over his shoulder he carried his axe. For the children were going to choose a fir tree for the Christmas party at their school.

"There is a pretty tree!" Jean exclaimed. "And it is just the right size!" added Jack.

The children and Mr. Jones walked over to the tree which stood off by itself.

"There's a bird in it," said Beverly. "A robin's nest," Mr. Jones remarked. "If we were to chop down this tree the robins might miss it," said Bobby a little sadly. "I wonder whether they always live in this particular tree," thought Jack who seemed worried.

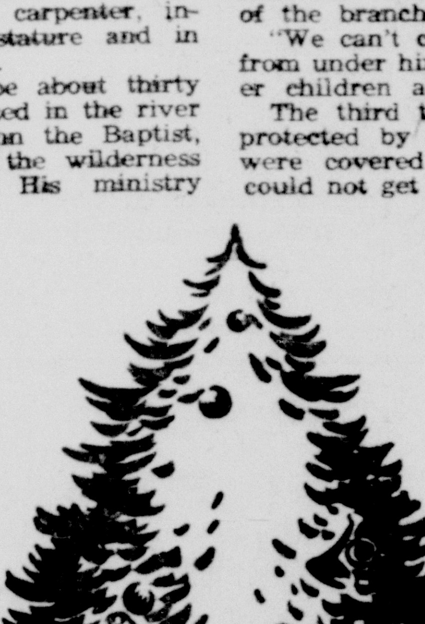
The four children looked at each other.

"We don't want to make any bird unhappy," they all said.

So the searching party moved on. Soon they came to a spruce about the size of the first one. A squirrel was sitting on one of the branches.

"We can't cut the squirrel's playground from under him," said Jean. And the other children agreed.

The third tree the children found was protected by a larger one. Its branches were covered with snow, for the wind could not get at it.



"How about this one, father?" asked Bobby.

"Oh, I think it is the baby of the big tree," cried Beverly. "And if we took it away, the mother would be lonely."

"I think you children had better come with me," said Mr. Jones. "I don't believe you want to cut down a tree for Christmas after all."

"Oh, but we do!" cried the four children, as if with one breath.

Mr. Jones walked back to the road and stepped into his automobile. The children looked at each other in bewilderment. They followed him and climbed into the car. Then away they went.

The children said nothing. Soon the automobile stopped in front of a big building. A man led them through a door and into a big open place, where there were dozens of fir trees for sale. Each one was growing in a big wooden tub, filled with earth.

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Now the children knew they would not have to chop down the home of a robin or the playground of a squirrel or take a baby tree away from its mother.

They would buy a little tree that would keep on growing after Christmas was past.

And that is just what they did!

Jean Jacques

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for peanuts, which it put in its mouth.

"Quick, Shut the Window"

Mary looked at her grandfather, her eyes were very big. "Grand-daddy," she said, "quick, shut the window or they will run away."

Her great-grandfather closed the window. "Mary," he said, "why are you crying?"

"He is not there. Where is he? Where has he gone? Won't I see him? Tell me grandfather, won't I see Santa Claus?"

In the chimney was a scratching—a pair of black boots came first, then red legs, then a big fat red belly, and there he stood on the hearth with his white beard and white hair all covered with soot.

"Merry Christmas!" he shouted. "Merry Christmas. A small chimney for a fat man, but I wiggled down. Why don't you clean your chimneys once in a while?"

Santa Takes Out Gifts

Santa Claus went over to his sleigh and began to take out the presents, putting them around the tree.

"Are they all for me?" asked Mary, in a half scared voice.

"Yes," said Santa, "all for you, every one of them, every single one."

"But how about the other children," asked Mary, "what do they have? I don't want to be a pig, even if this is my first tree."

"That is all taken care of, my child," said her great-grandfather. "Mr. Santa Claus has a sleigh full for each house—he has them all loaded and has only to go home and harness his reindeer to them."

"I Must Be Going"

"I must be going," said Santa Claus, "I must be going. I have a lot of children to see tonight, a lot. Merry Christmas! Open the window, please." He jumped into his sleigh, cracked his whip, and was off with a "Merry Christmas!"

Mary sat with a doll in her arms on the big sofa, her little body cuddled close to her great-grandfather's, whose arm was about her — and the Christmas book lay in her lap. She had fallen asleep.

The library door opened. Jean Jacques the Third, the living Jean Jacques, stood in his dressing gown in the doorway, with a book under his arm. He saw the tree, the presents under it, and the candles burning on it. He looked at the empty frame, and his own grandfather sitting on the sofa with Mary asleep beside him.

Glances Over Shoulder

Jean Jacques stole across the room and glanced over his ancestor's shoulder He read the first lines on the open page of the book in Mary's lap.

"'Twas the night before Christmas
When all through the house
Not a creature was stirring.
Not even a mouse. . . ."

Uncle Jean Jacques — Jean Jacques the Third—took Mary in his arms. She did not awake, but nestled closer to him. He turned and moved toward the door, paused an instant, and looked back. The tree was gone —and in the empty frame was Jean Jacques the First in his black coat and white frock.

"Tomorrow is Christmas Day," said Jean Jacques the Third. "By tomorrow we'll have that tree back again with all the presents under it and the candles burning."

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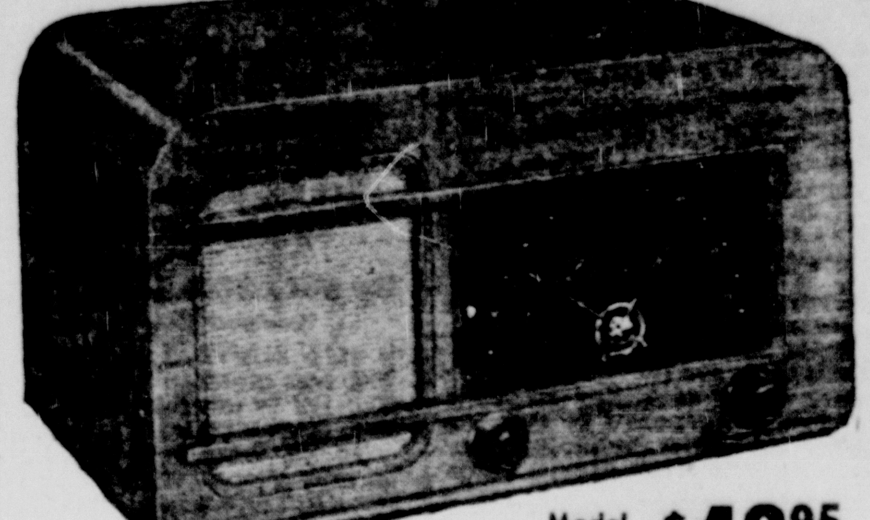

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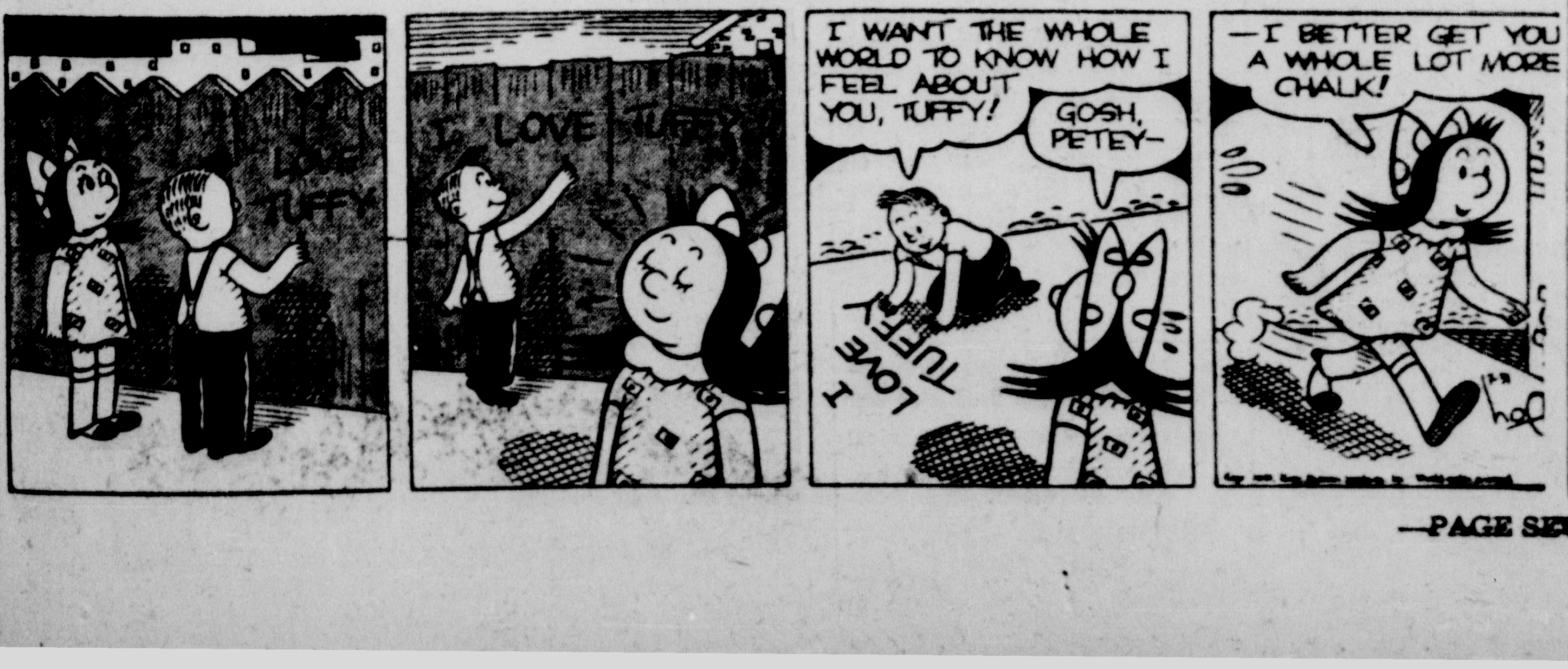
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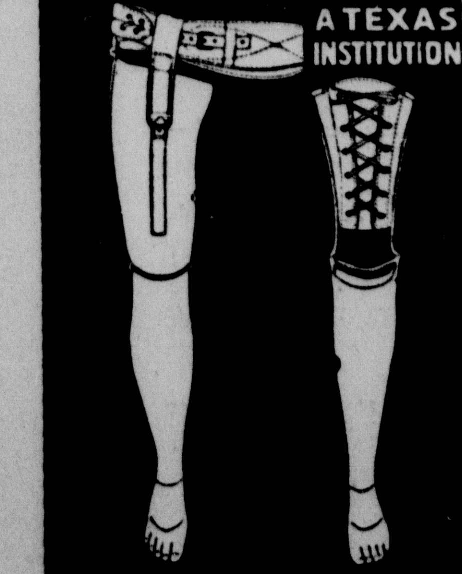

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GIVE THE CHILDREN A YULE ROLE

Christmas is the time for giving,
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Let the smallest share the blessing
Of preparing Christmas joys.

By MILDRED HARDCASTLE, R. N.

(Condensed from The Chicago Tribune)

HOW MANY of us, thinking only to give our children the best of everything, try to exclude them from the Christmas preparations?

To us, those preparations may seem to be only chores, work to be finished before the children can have their day. But to them, preparations are fascinating fun.

We can scarcely expect the child who has experienced Christmas only as a day to **get** every thing that he wants, to change suddenly and want to **give** just because he is older. The true beauty and meaning of Christmas as a time to give unselfishly, just as the Wise Men gave to the Christ Child, has been lost when the child can remember only one hectic day of receiving too much of everything.

After baby is walking and talking, he isn't too young to take a small part in the preparations, for even then he can feel the spirit in which they are done. Let him give Daddy a gift, no matter how small. Let him hold it as you say: "This is your gift to Daddy. We will wrap it together." Daddy's thanks to him on Christmas morning will be the beginning of learning the glow that giving brings. Other preparations can be shared simply in the same way.

Sing Carols to Him

The two-year-old can take a much more active part. Let him hand you the fragrant sprays of Christmas greens as you decorate; guide his hand so that he can stick raisins in the special cookies that are to be a gift for a special friend, telling him about it as you work. Sing Christmas carols and hear him try to follow the tunes. He can't possibly miss the spirit of gladness which this day should bring, for you'll really be feeling joyful as you sing "Joy to the World."

The three-year-old can help make his own special gifts as well as share in the decorating and baking preparations. One little girl made her dad a paper weight that still holds first place on his desk. She found a large smooth stone big enough to place a snapshot of herself on its top. Her mother helped her glue it into place and then give the whole thing a coat of clear shellac.

After the child can handle blunt scissors and crayons, he will enjoy making many different decorations for the tree, the windows or the rooms.

Easily-Made Decorations

Paper colored and cut into inch-wide strips, pasted together into a chain of rings is a very popular decoration, easily made. Pictures from old Christmas greetings may be cut out and hung with bright red or green yarn. Red and green crepe paper can be cut in long strips and fluted to make lovely hangings. Popcorn or cranberries may be strung. Any one of these activities, taken a little bit at a time, will keep the child busy and happy while you do the more difficult jobs with which he can't help. Remember, though, not to expect perfection! Accept them in the spirit that they are done.

If there is among your child's acquaintances some less fortunate tot who will not receive many gifts for Christmas, this is an ideal time to teach him the joy of sharing with no thought of a gift in return. Let him choose from his oyn toys those that he has outgrown or doesn't often use and help him wrap them with some candy or cookies to give to the other child.

Let Him Give His Gift

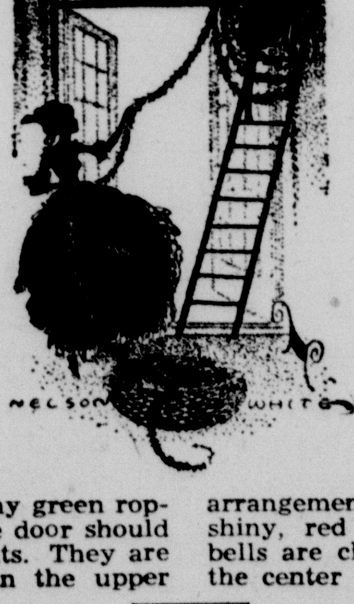
Take him, if possible, on Christmas Day to give his gift, to see the delight that it brings. Having seen the picture of a child being happy with much less than he has will make him appreciate his own abundance more. as well as give him the desire to share to make another happy.

Again, don't miss the beauty of Christmas music to emphasize the spirit of your preparations. Your radio is a special blessing at this time with its wealth of good music. Sing, even though you can't carry a tune. Your children will join you and you'll be surprised at the song in your hearts. Spread out the joy of Christmas so that The Day becomes the jeweled setting in the ring of happy preparations shared.

GAY DOORWAY SIGNALIZES YULETIDE WELCOME

Because time is limited to finish outdoor holiday decorations, concentrate your efforts around the doorway, an appropriate place to set the stage for a bright and cheerful Yuletide.

Those who have outdoor lights can make the nighttime welcome warm with color. Combining the lights with wreaths, green roping, and cut branches will carry the decorative scheme through the day.



In using lights and greenery together, remember that red lamps have a tendency to make foliage colors appear brownish, but green lights increase their greenness. White lamps produce a bright sparkle, accenting all colors, while yellow and orange give off a mellow glow. Blue produces a hushed appearance.

Ornaments Lend Glitter

Decorations around doorways, protected with a porch roof, may utilize tree ornaments to reflect the colored lights and give the greenery an extra glitter.

In the porch-covered doorway green roping framing the window in the door should be studded with tree ornaments. They are repeated in a large cluster in the upper corner, where a large evergreen branch across the top of the doorway and one down the side are joined.

Spruce, fir or pine boughs may be used here, and where large ones are not obtainable two or three small ones are tied together to gain the needed size. A string or two of lights are threaded through the green branches to brighten the nighttime effect.

Festive Appearance

The small entrance porch or door shelter can be given a festive holiday appearance with a massive cluster of evergreen branches fastened in the gable end of the roof. To avoid making many holes in the porch, five to seven branches are stapled in cluster formation to a 6 by 12-inch board.

Place the branches in position with the ends curving slightly away from the porch. The board is then secured in position with two medium-sized wood screws.

Colored lights are spaced along the branches and the arrangement is completed with a large, shiny, red oilcloth bow. Silver and red bells are clustered on the wreath hung in the center of the door.

DON'T NEGLECT YOUR APPEARANCE

So you're worn out. This getting ready for Christmas has been a lot of work and you feel old and tired.

Keep your spirits high, anyway, mother! And whatever you do, don't neglect your appearance.

Wear a fresh, pretty dress. Use those little tricks of make-up and all those things you do other seasons of the year — even though you just feel like giving it all up and falling into an easy chair.

The finest Christmas ever planned can be wrecked by tired, cross, discontented-looking women. Never forget that!

TESTED RECIPES

Best Wishes

Merry Christmas to you all and may this be the best New Year ever. Let's start it off right by following this little poem:

"Serve a laugh with meat loaf,
Serve a smile with steak,
Serve a grin with gingerbread,
And chuckles with the cake.
Whistle with the waffles,
Sing a song with salad,
Hum a tune while kneading dough.
Don't you know a ballad?
Beat time with the rolling pin,
Tap-dance while you fry,
There's kitchen fun for everyone
Who'll make it—why not try?"

Homemakers prepare and serve at least 1,095 meals a year and that's not counting parties, teas, and evening snacks. So why not have some fun with every meal and make the work in the kitchen as easy as possible with a labor-saving recipe such as this:

Orange All-Bran Hot Breads

⅔ cup shortening	4 teaspoons baking powder
2 teaspoons grated orange rind	½ teaspoon soda
1 cup sugar	1 teaspoon salt
2 eggs	1 cup milk
1 cup All-Bran	½ cup orange juice
3½ cups sifted flour	

Blend shortening, orange rind and sugar thoroughly. Add eggs and beat until creamy. Stir in All-Bran. Sift together flour, baking powder, soda and salt; add to first mixture alternately with milk and orange juice. Stir only until flour disappears.

Baked Apples Popular

Apple time is here again. And once more home-makers are preparing those delicious cobblers, puddings, pies, and other apple dishes with which to delight their families.

Baked apples are famous for their versatility. Served with cream they make a tempting and nutritious breakfast item. Stuffed with sausage or mincemeat, baked apples are a welcome treat on luncheon or dinner menus. So, when your family troops in and asks, "What's cooking'?" let the luscious aroma of baked apples be the answer.

Below is a simple recipe for baked apples which can be varied in any number of ways. For a party dessert you might top the apples with meringue and maraschino cherries. Or fill them with raisins and nut meats, if you desire.

Baked Apples

- 6 apples
- ¾ cup brown sugar
- Cinnamon
- Lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons butter
- ¾ cup sugar
- 1 cup water

Wash and core the apples. Peel skin about one-third of the way down. Fill center cavity of each apple with two tablespoons brown sugar and sprinkle with cinnamon and a dash of lemon juice. Dot with one teaspoon of butter. Place in a baking pan.

Boil three-quarters of a cup of sugar and one cup of water for five minutes. Pour around apples and bake uncovered in a moderate oven (375 degrees) for 25 to 30 minutes, or until tender, basting frequently with syrup in bottom of pan. Remove from oven and cool in syrup.

Mashed Sweet Potatoes

Mashed sweet potatoes topped with rich, creamy marshmallows. Doesn't that sound like a delicious concoction? And you can make it even more delicious by mixing nuts with the potatoes.

Try the following recipe and see if your family doesn't agree that here indeed is a dish to win anybody's approval.

- 3½ cups mashed sweet potatoes
- ⅓ to ½ cup unsulphured molasses
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon grated lemon or orange rind
- Marshmallows

Combine all ingredients except marshmallows. If potatoes are too dry, add a little milk. Dip marshmallows in additional molasses and arrange over potatoes. Bake 30 minutes in a moderate oven (350 degrees). Yield: six to eight servings.

Holiday Cut-Out Canapes

- 1 3-oz. pkg. cream cheese
- 3 tablespoons milk
- 1 No. 2 can cranberry sauce
- ½ lb. package processed cheese
- 1 3-oz. can deviled ham
- Crisp crackers

Soften cream cheese with milk, blending until smooth; season if desired. Slice cranberry sauce thin; cut out in bell and star shapes, using small cookie cutters. Slice processed cheese and cut out with cutters into holiday shapes also. Spread cream cheese on crackers and spread deviled ham on additional crackers. Top cream cheese-crackers with cranberry cut-outs and ham-spread crackers with cheese cut-outs. Garnish cheese cut-outs with pimiento. Arrange on platter with plain crackers. Garnish platter with watercress. Serve with juice cocktails. Serves 4 to 6.

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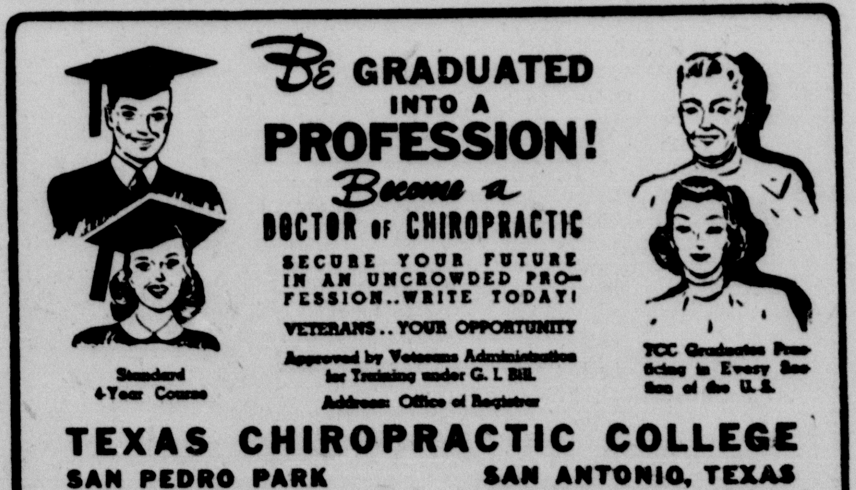
It was while on a boat returning to his homeland from America to which he had come with his brother John and where he had been very ill, that he began to write verses for sacred hymns. He became the author of 6,000 songs, among them, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," "Christ the Lord is Risen," and other equally well-known hymns.

And it was on Christmas morn (1730) while listening to the bells on his way to church that this famous composer was inspired to write "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing." The song, though unfinished for nine years, became one of the world's most sacred anthems.

The music is taken from Mendelssohn's Festge song and after several revisions was published finally in practically its present form in 1856—two years before the goldseekers' rush to Colorado.

It is the only song of Wesley's to be included in the Church of England's Book of Prayer.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CHRISTMAS

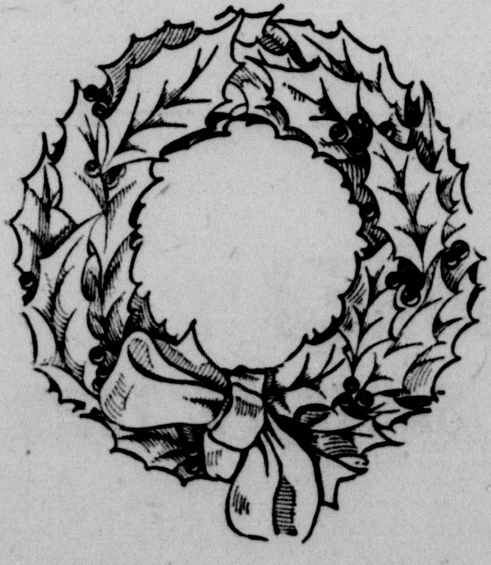
By J. B. WHITE

"Unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

If there be no miracle in Heaven or earth, still is this the most potent benediction ever dropped into the wistful hearts of mankind. The centuries measure their course, life's seasons revolve and write their changing fortunes upon us in lines of experience; war follows Peace and Peace war, and the Manger of Humility remains the Shrine of our only Hope.

It may be true that this ever hastening age has enveloped Christmas with the flavor of self indulgence, that we exact too wolfishly all that is purely material profit, that we exhaust ourselves in a mad display of artificial generosity, that we translate a simple and beautiful story into an orgy of the market place. This may or may not be true, and each can answer for himself. But it is true, that in a very instant of time, every man may find, undestroyed, the Shrine of Recollection hidden in his heart.

That Seed of Humanity, placed within us as the gift of sacrifice at birth, dies hard—if at all. It is, after all, something real and filled with meaning; it belongs to the imperishable which, all matter of faith apart, must believe that right is better than wrong, kindness better than cruelty, sentiment better than cynicism; for there is something which is Eternal, something which re-creates, re-animates, resurrects, even though the understanding of it escapes us.



We know that beneath the dead and frozen surface of the Earth life breathes and waits its time. What, in the balance with this profound mystery, is the misanthropy of a withered intelligence?

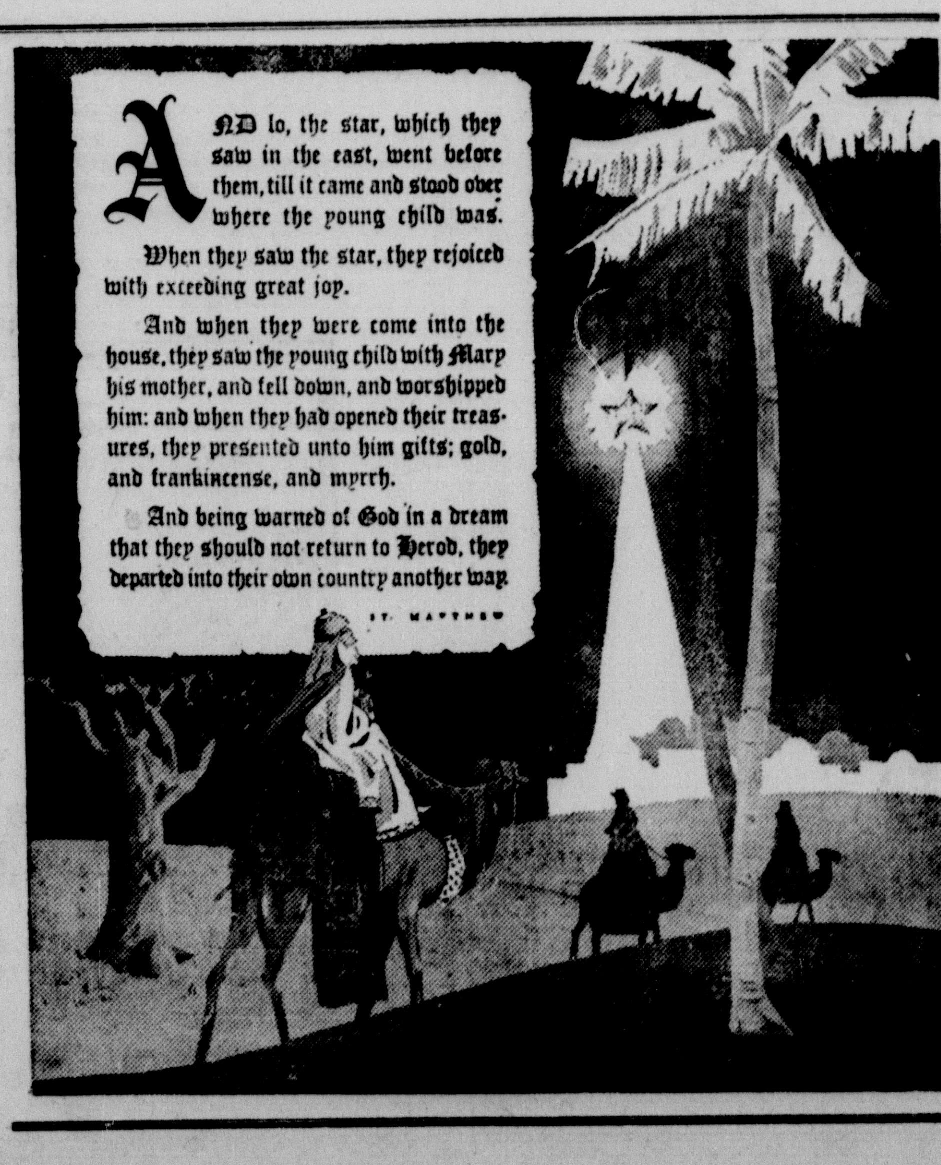
It is, perhaps, a pity we ever grow up. Or do we? What is this Miracle by which we recapture the fine imagination of belief other than the flowering anew of Childhood's simple Faith? It is the radiance of Innocence which covers the Earth and turns men's eyes in Alaska, in India, in the distant outposts and at the home hearths to that group of Shepherds plodding their way through the night to worship the birth of Revelation.

There is nothing engraved more indelibly on the heart of mankind than the infinite source of that Star of Hope, and of the Angelic chorus pouring down from the bursting Heavens with the sublime proclamation: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth Peace, Good Will toward men."

It needs something more than a smart sneer to rob the world of that majestic moment, be it allegory or circumstance; it needs something more profound than the piteous arrogance of intellectual self-deception to blot out from the consolation of humanity the grand symposium of its transcending re-assurance.

It is sufficient if man finds himself borne, on the wings of Christmas, from the ends of the Earth, straight to the heart of his better self; if the Star leads him, remembering, to the cradle of his good intentions.

"But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart." And so may we.



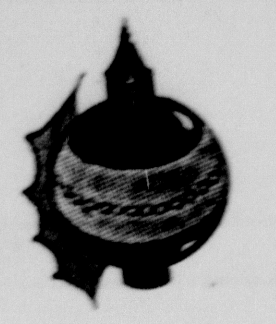
AND lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh.

And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.

ST. MATTHEW



LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I am seven years old. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a football, roman candles and firecrackers. My largest sister is five years old. She wants a rubber doll. My baby sister wants something nice too. Be good to the poor children, too.

Your friend,
FORRESTER JUERGENS

Dear Santa:

We are little twins 4 years old. We live in the North Elm Community. Please bring us a doll, a tricycle and a red wagon. Also lots of fruit and candy. Santa be sure and bring our big sisters and our daddy home for Christmas.

Your little friends,
SIMMIE RAY and
BARBARA GRAY FULLER

Dear Santa:

I am six years old. Will you please bring me a big doll that sleeps, and says Mama and has big long curly hair. Also has on shoes and socks. I would like to have a doll buggy and a few nuts and candy. Don't forget my little sister, Dolores Ann. Bring her some rattlers. Don't forget my mother and father and the poor children.

MARIELLA ZAROSKY

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl, five years old. Please bring me a new doll, a new red purse, nuts, fruit and candy. Remember my mother and father and other little children.

Your little friend,
EMILIE JEDLICKA

Dear Santa:

I am three years old. Please bring me a doll and doll buggy. Bring me some candy and fruits, too.

Your little friend,
LA NELL MORAW

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 4 years old. Please bring me a doll, a set of dishes and a teddy bear. Also lots of nuts, candy and fruit. Remember all the little girls and boys. Please bring my big sister Sue a negro doll as she is going to college in Austin, and won't be home to write you. Thank you.

ETHEL FRANCES WEIDO

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a little cedar chest, a ring, a bracelet and some little firecrackers. Be good to everyone I go to Vogelsang school and am in the fifth grade.

Your friend,
ALICE LUCKO

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy ten years old. Please bring me a bicycle, a target pistol, a football, a basket ball, nuts, fruit and a balloon.

Your little friend,
PAUL JEDLICKA

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy eight years old. Please bring me a big red wagon, a cap pistol, oranges, apples, nuts, and candy. A balloon and remember my parents.

Your little friend,
JOHNNIE JEDLICKA

Dear Santa:

I have been a good little boy. Please bring me an air plane that winds up, a tool chest like my daddy has, a little station wagon that winds up, and don't forget my little brother, Kinny.

Your little friend,
GLENN BLAKE

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a boys 16-pieces that cost $5.29 for Christmas. Some nuts, oranges, apples, nuts and candy. Please remember my parents and other little children who want something for Christmas.

Your old pal,
JOE JEDLICKA

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl five years old. I would like to have a doll, a black board, an ironing board and iron and a baker set. Don't forget my little sister, Linda Kay, who is one year old. She has been sweet this year too.

Your little friend,
VIRGINIA RAY ABEL

P. S. I will leave you some cake and cookies by the Christmas tree.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a fountain pen and a ring. Bring my little sister a doll and my little brother and big brother something nice. Be good to my mother and daddy. Bring my teacher some chocolate candy. Be good to all the children in the world. Bring me some fruit and nuts, please.

Your friend,
I love you Santa,
ETHELYNE MORAW

Dear Santa:

Please send me a toy piano, a bracelet, a ring and a doll suitcase. Mama wants an electric iron. Bring my daddy something, too. I want some nuts and candy, please.

Your friend,
HELEN STALL
I love you Santa

Dear Santa:

I am in the second grade. I go to the Vogelsang school. I want a football, firecrackers and Roman candles. Some fruit and candy. Bring my sisters and my brother something nice, too. Be good to all the children every where in the world.

Your friend,
CHARLES MORAW

LaVert McKinneys Are Parents of Baby Son

Mr. and Mrs. LaVert McKinney are the parents of a baby son born at St. Edward's Hospital Saturday night December 6, 1947. He has been named Mack Hugh. Mother and baby are now at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Akers.

The boy has been named for grandfathers on both sides of the house. Mack Akers and Hugh McKinney of Jones Prairie.

The mother is the former Judy Akers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Akers and the father is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McKinney of Jones Prairie.

to You,
and YOU
AND YOU!

Greetings

We don't want to pass up the opportunity of extending our best wishes to each of you. May this be a most Joyous Christmas for all.

Griffith & Ford
BARBER SHOP

Holiday Greetings from

MERRY CHRISTMAS And HAPPY NEW YEAR

To The People

OF COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2

At this happy season of the year I want to send you these greetings and to thank you for your splendid cooperation in the trying months of my first term as your Commissioner. It has been a pleasure to serve you and to work with you and I am looking forward to the future with renewed hope of better service.

As we approach the New Year we can all be assured that we are facing better days ahead and I pledge you my full co-operation plus on the job service as your Commissioner.

I want each of you to have Happiness at Christmas and every good thing in the New Year for I know the good people of Precinct Two merit every consideration a kindly fortune can bring in the months to come.

BYRON NEAL
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2
Milam County

HE'S ON HIS WAY!

Santa's heading this way. He may come by plane, liner or streamliner, or he may hitch up Donner and Blitzen again, he may even hitchhike—anyway he's heading our way and we'll be mighty glad to welcome him. May the old gent favor you with a multitude of nice things and an abundant share of happiness and prosperity.

Horstmann Bros. Tire Store
HUDSON AUTOMOBILES
FIRESTONE TIRES PHONE 550

AS ANOTHER Yuletide season arrives, with all its friendliness and goodwill, we pause to add our Greetings to each of you with whom we have come in contact since last Christmas. And to those of you whom we hope to serve next year, the same genuine Merry Christmas.

It has been a genuine pleasure to serve you and we trust we may continue in the same capacity in the months to come.

Good luck and Merry Christmas!

WILL ONDREJ
MACHINE SHOP SANTA FE TOWN

"Cool as a cucumber" is an apt expression—the interior of a cucumber is generally 20 per cent cooler than its surroundings.

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The common housefly does not grow—that is why you never see baby houseflies.

A health department survey indicates that by occupation averages the only people in Germany who have not lost weight in the last year are butchers, bakers and restaurant proprietors.

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Jo Petty of Sharpe was a welcomed visitor in Cameron recently.

Come In, Santa!

We've been looking for you! We have a hearty welcome because we know you won't forget these fine friends of ours. They're mighty deserving, these friends, and we'll appreciate all you can do for them. Our friends in this community, Santa, are the finest on earth. They're loyal and dependable. Please be as good to them as they have been to us.

LOU COWARD
BEAUTY SHOP

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please bring mother a purse and my sister a ball and a doll. I want a doll and a horn.

Love,
SHIRLEY PORTER

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Dear Santa:

I am six years old. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a bow and arrows and a leather scabbard. Bring all the children in the world something too.

Your friend,
RODNEY FOLSCHINSKY

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Dear Sanat:

Please bring me a bicycle, gun and holster, nuts, candy, fruit, a cowboy suit and boots. Santa, I study hard and I am trying to read good.

Love,
LEE ROY PRATT

P. S. Please bring mother an apron.

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a rubber doll with a hard head and a doll buggy. I am learning how to read and write. Mother needs a new dress and handkerchief.

Love,
CLYDEEN BAKER

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Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old. I go to school at Yarrellton. I want a coat, piano, ball, candy and nuts. I have a little brother, please don't forget him. He will be two years old after Christmas.

Your friend,
MARY FRANCES LESIKAR

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a box of BBs, nuts, candy and some fruit. I want a motor for my bicycle. I will close now.

Thank you,
MONROE BAKER

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a ball, double barrel shot gun. I am four years old, and I am a good boy.

Love,
WOLLY SHORT

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a BB gun, a pencil, an airplane, two guns and a bow and some arrows.

Thank you,
PABLO CANIZALES

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a gun and a holster, candy and fruit.

Your friend,
I am,
CLAYTON CONEZALES

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a BB gun, a gun holster, an airplane, and a train. Please bring my little brothers some toys. And please bring me candy, nuts and fruit also a little motor car.

Thank you,
LORENZO CANIZALES

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Dear Santa:

I am a little girl in the second grade. I go to North Elm School, my teacher is Mrs. Sam B. Houston. She is a good teacher. I am seven years old. Santa, I want a doll, dishes, a ball and lots of fruit and nuts and candy.

Yours truly,
VLASTA ANN HRACHOVY

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, nuts, candy, fruit and a doll. Santa, mother wants a dress.

Thank you,
LESSIE B. MATHIS

Dear Santa:

I am a very good little boy. I am three years old. Please bring me these toys, a tricycle, a wagon, trucks, football, fruit, nuts and candy. Thank you, Santa.

With love,
CLARENCE JISTEL

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Dear Santa:

I am six years old. I am in the second grade. For Christmas, want a gun, a holster, a little red wagon. Fill my stocking with candy, and fruits, don't forget the other children. I love you.

Your friend,
JOHNNY WAYNE STEVENS

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a football, a cap gun, a pocket knife and a drag-line. I will have some pie and coffee ready for you.

Love,
GRIFFIN BARRETT

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy in Milano school. I am in the third grade. I want a football and a basketball. I want a pair of boots, too. I have been a good boy.

Your friend,
GAIL DAVIDSON

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Dear Sana:

I am a good little boy and I am in the third grade. I am eight years old. I want a gun, a color book, a book satchel, fruit, candy and nuts. I go to North Elm and my teacher is, Mrs. Sam B. Houston. Fill my stocking with candy and nuts.

BILLIE JESTEL

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Dear Santa:

I want a watch for Christmas. Also a football and a BB gun. I go to Milano school. I am in the third grade.

Your friend,
PAUL GENE McNEAL

Greetings

FRIENDS

We're wishin' for you everything that's good. You're a swell bunch of folks, and we're mighty proud to have known you, and to call you our friends. MERRY CHRISTMAS.

DINK'S SECOND HAND STORE
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dink
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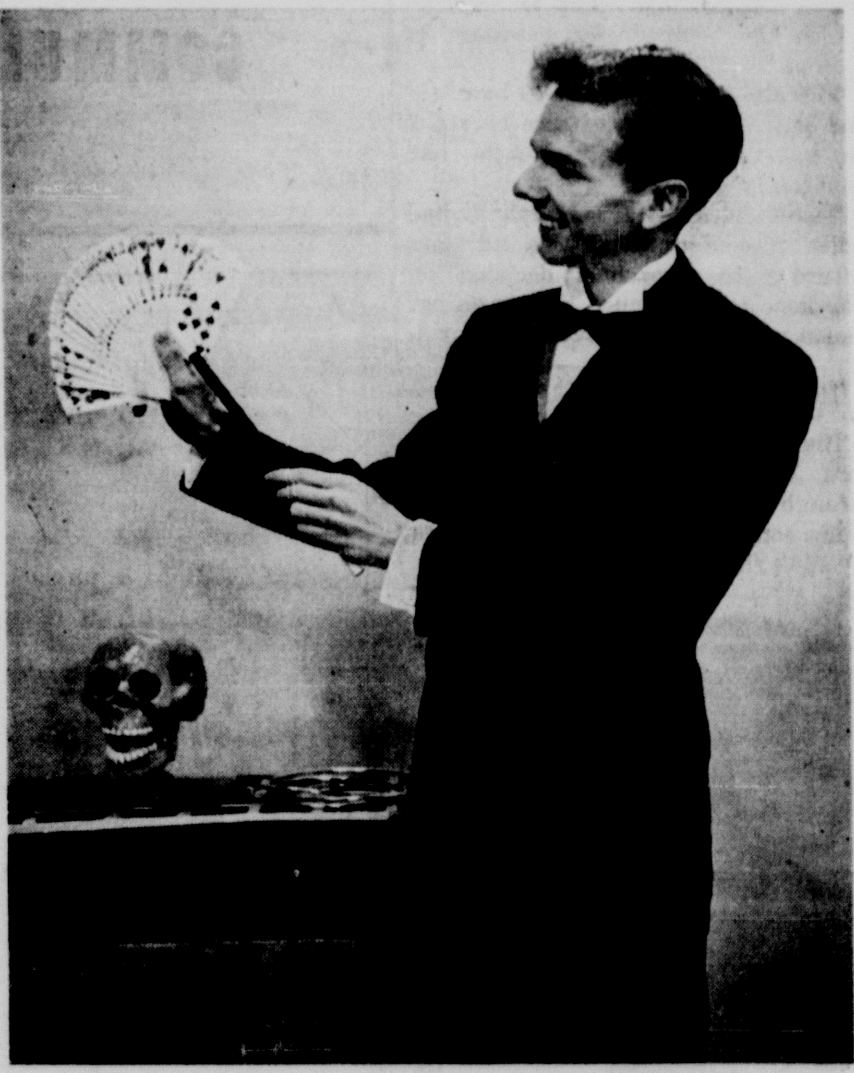
Phone 124



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The
BLESSINGS
of
Christmas

The cordiality of Christmas is one of the finest blessings that any of us can possibly enjoy. To us, Christmas means much more than just the opportunity of presenting and receiving gifts. It's more than a season of exchanging greetings and it goes far deeper than the traditional festive occasions.

Christmas, for us, is a season of genuine good will and happiness, a time of thanksgiving for all.

MAREK - BURNS
BURIAL INSURANCE

2 DEAD 2 MISSING IN KATY WRECK WEDNESDAY

Death toll in the Katy train wreck at New Braunfels had mounted to 4. They are Engineer Roy Callaway, Smithville; Fireman Jack B. Coleman, Waco; Geo. W. Stainthorpe, train car man from San Antonio and Will Maney, porter from San Antonio.

NEW BRAUNFELS, Dec. 11 — Two Missouri-Kansas-Texas passenger trains collided head-on near here last night and exploded into flames, killing two trainmen, injuring nine other persons and leaving three men missing, two of them crewmen and another a railroad inspector.

The two trains ran together 10 miles south of here at 11:43 p. m. CST, the locomotives stacking on top of each other and front cars telescoping.

Dead were Jack B. Coleman, 33, fireman of Waco, and George W. Steinthorpe, a train chairman from San Antonio.

Missing was Engineer Roy Callaway about 60, of Smithville, and a Negro porter, Will Maney, of San Antonio.

Railroad officials said that a railroad inspector, not otherwise identified, was aboard one of the baggage or mail cars and is unaccounted for.

The northbound train, No. 6, known as the Katy Flyer, was enroute to Kansas City and St. Louis. The southbound train, No. 3, called the Katy Limited, was enroute to San Antonio, Coleman and Callaway were in the cab on No. 6.

Both trains were heavily loaded with Christmas mail. An estimated 1,800 sacks of mail burned and another 1,800 were saved. Mail sacks were found 300 feet from the tracks.

Several thousand dollars in currency shipments were recovered by Deputy Sheriff V. E. King of Comal County. A platoon of National Guardsmen from New Braunfels guarded the wreckage and mail.

No water was available and flames were fought with chemicals.

Railroad officials expect the tracks to be cleared late today.

The accident occurred on a single straightline track. No block signals are used along that part of the line and the trains pick up orders from points along the line, officials said.

Within an hour, 18 police from San Antonio were at the scene, as well as crash trucks and ambulances from Randolph Stinson and Kelly Fields, and the Municipal Airport. Brooke Army General Hospital sent ambulances.

The trains carried a total of 42 passengers.

Mickey Pattillo, special agent for the railroad, said the two engineers "evidently got their orders mixed up."

Only J. M. Bayless, Arlington, baggageman, was listed in a critical condition early this morning at the New Braunfels General Hospital.

Mrs. Louise A. Kruger, hospital superintendent, and others injured were Paul E. Cheser, fireman, Waco; Floyd Jenkins, engineer, San Antonio; R. B. Ferguson, Arlington, baggageman, and B. J. Smith, Dallas, baggageman, all members of the train crews.

Three passengers were treated and released early today. They were H. D. Neilsen, of San Antonio; James R. Petray, San Antonio, and David R. Stanton, Arlington, Va.

Portions of the trains No. 3, headed south, and No. 6 headed north—were engulfed in flames following the collision and pieces of the engine boilers were blown several hundred yards into a nearby field.

Three of 11 cars on the northbound train were destroyed and five of No. 3's 10 cars were burned.

Patillo said the Engineer Jenkins jumped from the cab of No. 3 and was believed to have a serious back injury, a broken arm and lacerations about the head.

P. N. Starnes, a railroad conductor who came to the scene, said passenger trains were authorized to travel 60 miles an hour at the point of collision.

Patillo said he believed Maney was riding in the engine of one of the trains at the time of the wreck.

He said he could make no accurate estimate of the damage but that it "will easly exceed $300,000."

He indicated an investigating board will meet in the next day or two with H. W. Davidson, superintendent of the South Texas division of the railroad at Smithville.

R. H. Miller, New Braunfels undertaker, said that the southbound train was running an hour and 15 minutes late at the time of the accident.

RUSSIA DENOUNCED BY SECRETARY MARSHALL

LONDON, Dec. 12—A savage Russian attack against the United States Britain and France tonight reduced big four relations to the lowest point since the war and threatened an almost immediate breakup of the London session of the foreign ministers conference.

The most acrimonious foreign ministers meeting ever held ended abruptly, official observers said, when British Foreign Secretary Bevin termed Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov's attack on allied policies in Germany "insults and abuse." U. S. Secretary of State Marshall declared the attack made it "difficult to inspire respect for the dignity of the Soviet Union."

Conference sources said Molotov tossed his conciliatory attitude of the past few days out the window of sedate Lancaster house and launched an hour-long attack.

He accused the western powers of making "enormous profits" out of Germany through "hidden Reparations." He also declared that the United States, Britain and France were rying to "perpetuate the division of Germany" as part of a strategic plan to employ their occupation zones against what he described as the "democratic countries of Europe."

The alternative seemed to be chaos and possible war as efforts to reach an understanding with Russia had apparently failed.

Secretary of State Marshall had called a conference of his advisers Saturday to reach a decision on whether to continue the meeting. Gloom was spreading over the world.

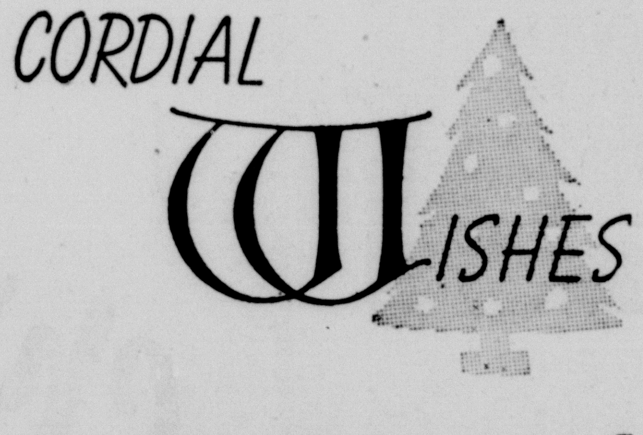
HONOR ROLL CORRECTION

The school regrets that Miss Barbara Walton's name was omitted through mistake from the eighth grade honor roll, and therefore wishes to apologize.

Phone your news items to 282.

Merry Christmas!

FIDELITY ABSTRACT CO.
NINA WILKERSOM, MANAGER



CORDIAL WISHES

To The People of Milam County

I have much for which to be thankful, blessings that have come my way during the year 1947 and as we approach the Christmas Season I want each one among my host of friends to know how very deeply I value their Friendship and Good Will.

In expressing my gratitude to the people for the honor they confered upon me in electing me to the office of County Treasurer, I am reminded of the deep obligation I owe to them and in the fulfillment of my obligations in service in this office before me each day will be the goal toward which I shall strive to justify your confidence.

No Season brings such peculiar happiness as Christmas. Let us observe it in its true significance for to do so is to reap its full benefits. I trust, as I send these Greetings, that you are happy, that you will enjoy the Christmas Holidays and in the New Year may every good thing you so well deserve be your portion in life.

JOHN W. HAIRSTON
COUNTY TREASURER, MILAM COUNTY

Merry Christmas TO EVERYONE

To close the books on another year without expressing our thanks for your patronage would be to leave a debt unpaid. We appreciate the privilege of serving you and will strive always to merit your continued satisfaction. Best wishes to you and yours for happiness and contentment during the Holiday Season and in the New Year to come.

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GREETINGS

To The People of Milam County:

As we approach the Christmas Season we are reminded of the peculiar significance of the occasion and I trust this greeting finds you happy and with ample opportunity to enjoy the blessings of the Holidays.

The Old Year now drawing to a close brought us many benefits and I trust that Providence has been kind to you. It is characteristic of the people of this county to look forward with resolute faith to the future and I feel sure that the New Year will bring us the opportunities worthy of our stations.

I want to express to the people of Milam County my sincere appreciation for their splendid co-operation and their Good Will. It is with a profound feeling of gratitude that I send these Christmas Greetings to all and to wish for all a Merry Christmas and in the New Year may each of you have in complete measure an abundance of Good Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

A. N. GREEN
STATE REPRESENTATIVE, MILAM COUNTY

MAY YOUR EVERY WISH BE FULFILLED

TRUTHS FROM OLD TALES

REV. R. L. LEMONS
Pastor First Methodist Church

The stories of the birth of Jesus have constituted the most fascinating angles of the Nativity. These stories have meaning for us, but have we ever caught the full significance which they had for the folk of their day? The secret of man's being is not only to live, but to have something for which to live. These old stories will give that something.

First, there is the ANNUNCIATION. It was not the word the strange messenger brought to Mary —that a son was to be born to her— that got hold of those folks, but the assurance that "of his kingdom there should be no end". (Luke 1:33b). How utterly impossible that seemed against the background of the day! With Rome so powerful, how could Mary's son wield a scepter? It was Roman soldiers who were tramping the Bethlehem road that night when the inn's stables echoed to his first crys. It was Roman Soldiers who murdered Bethlehem's babies that other night when Joseph and Mary were forced to flee with the babe. It was Roman Soldiers who nailed Jesus to Home's chosen instrument of horror and death. And yet, these early Christians dared to believe that Jesus was stronger than Rome. Rome might kill them, did kill many of them, but it could not kill their faith in the fact that "Of His Kingdom there should be no end."

Then, there is the STORY OF THE SHEPHERDS. On the hills about campfires the light flashed so brightly the fire did not show. The Songs of the Angels; "Peace on earth, good will toward men". There must have been wild laughter in Jerusalem when first the tale was told. "Peace on earth"! What could it mean? How could it be, The very idea of peace was shocking when the whole world was terrorized by the Roman yoke of bondage.

Some of us today are doubting that the Prince of Peace is stronger than Seasarism, Communism, or some other "isms". We find it hard to believe that "Of His Kingdom there shall be no end". But those early Christians believed it. Our task is to rebuild a world ruined by greed. Before we can do much about it we must believe "Of His Kingdom there shall be no end".

A third tale those early Christians told themselves as they streamed out of doomed Jerusalem, in obedience to the Master's command to carry the word of him to "the uttermost parts of the earth", was the tale of THE WISE MEN who came riding out of the night to lay their gifts at His feet. One can imagine their stories as they took the same long roads into Egypt which the wise men had traveled. Down into Egypt with its memories of Old Kings and Wars!

Those who went out first saw the whole world His. A like faith is essential to the task that is ours in the rebuilding of a broken world. And so it is well that Christmas comes again to remind us of these old tales with their deep and compelling meaning: "And of His Kingdom there shall be no end".

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Leland Garrison of the San Grove community was a welcome visitor in Cameron recently.

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Want Ads Get Results!

Harry Haraway Gives Out Prize List on Bass Fishing Contest

Prize-winners in the annual nation-wide Western Auto Big Bass Fishing Contest have just been announced by the Western Auto Supply Company. The contest was conducted in the 35-state territory in which Western Auto Stores and Western Auto Associate Store are located.

Awards are being made to five winning fishermen in each state, Harry Haraway owner of the Western Auto Associate Store here, said today.

Winners in Texas were announced as follows: First prize, E. W. Bledsoe, San Antonio; second, Richard E. Grayson, Dallas; third, M. G. White, Athens; fourth, A. J. Haby, Mico; and fifth, W. J. Brown, Waco. First prize is a six horse-power Western Auto Wizard Outboard Motor. Other awards consist of fishing ackle. Total value of prizes for the 35-state competition was placed at $10,657.

The bass for which Mr. Bledsoe was awarded first prize weighed 13 pounds, 7½ ounces and was caught in Medina Lake. Largest bass reported for any state was 14 pounds, 4 ounces, caught in the state of Florida.

The annual contest is sponsored by Western Auto to stimulate public interest in the sport of fishing.

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A NOTE OF THANKS

To my many true friends who have been so thoughtful of me with "Get Well" cards and a beautiful flowers, and so many that took time to call and say, "How are you". Its more than I can express in words my appreciation to all of you. Thanks a million. I am improving fast and will be out in a few days.

JOE D. BASS

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Billy McNeal of San Grove was a visitor in Cameron Saturday.

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L. D. Shaw of Milano was a Cameron visitor Thursday.

Earl N. Tate Takes Over Humble Station At Third and Fannin

Earl N. Tate, well known in service station circles in Cameron, has become the new agent at the Humble Station at the corner of Third Street and Fannin Avenue.

Mr. Tate returns to the service station business after several months absence when he was engaged in other activities. Friends here and over this territory will be glad to have this good news and that Mr. Tate is to be identified with Humble.

The station will specialize in car care the Humble way, stressing the new 8 point system. Also he will sell accessories, tires and batteries.

L. F. Roman of Houston and with the Humble Refining Company, was here Thursday to check Mr. Tate in and acquaint him with the new Humble policy.

Lee Johnson Case Is Before Court Criminal Appeals Wednesday

The case of Lee Johnson, now on appeal, will be up for consideration Wednesday, December 17 before the Court of Criminal Appeals at Austin.

Johnson was wice convicted of assault with intent to murder in connection with the accidental shooting of a couple as they sat in a car near a Milano night club in 1946.

Johnson had engaged in a fight inside the hall and had been knocked down. His assailant ran out the door. Johnson with a gun in his hand ran out and shot into the car and claimed it was a case of mistaken identity or accidental.

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Mrs. Grady Goodwin spent the week end in the home of her sister, Mrs. Charlie Bush in Midland.

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CHRISTMAS OPENING

SALE ENDS DECEMBER 24th

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SALE ENDS DECEMBER 24th

Due to the huge response given our sale we are continuing our Christmas Opening Sale through December 24th so the many people who were not able to make their purchases during the five day sale will have an opportunity to do so

MEN'S CORDUROY CAPS	59c
MEN'S BRUSH PANTS	1.45
MEN'S SUEDE SHIRTS	1.89
ARMY TWILL PANTS	2.25
WOOL DRESS GLOVES	89c
Men's Blue Wool MELTON JACKETS	3.65
MEN'S SPORT COATS	8.95
MEN'S WORK SOCKS	8 pr. for 1.00

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

We would like for you to bring a plastic sleeping doll for each of us. Then we want an electric train, play wagon, story books, cook stove, a doll sewing machine, dishes, bathrobe, candy, fruits, nuts and a few firecrackers. Please don't forget our mother and daddy and papa. We are a little girl 4 years old and a little boy 3. We hope you will carry some gifts to the children in other lands, too.

Your friend,
REBECCA ANN and
VERNON RITCHIE

Dear Santa:

I am a boy and hope you will bring me a BB gun and some BB's. I want two pairs of boxing gloves. I want a lot of fruit, nuts and candy. Please bring me a zipper note book.

Your friend,
JOE DUNCAN
Wills Point, Texas

Dear Santa:

I want a saw and belt. Also some candy, nuts and fruit. Don't forget my mother, daddy, brothers and sisters. Bring them all something nice.

Your friend,
AVENT DUNCAN
Wills Point, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am eight years old and in the second grade at school. I want a BB gun and some BBs for Christmas. Also some fruit, nuts and candy. Bring me a red wagon, too. Don't forget my parents and brothers and sisters,

Your friend,
BENNY DUNCAN
Wills Point, Texas

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a big doll, some doll clothes, and doll dishes. Bring me some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget mama and daddy, brothers and sisters. Try to bring my grandma and grandpa something for Christmas.

Your friend,
SHIRLEY DUNCAN
Wills Point, Texas

Dear Santa:

I want a football, baseball and bat, a BB gun and some BBs, a bicycle, a new pair of shoes and a ring. Also bring me some new socks and a new cap. Bring me some fruit, nuts and candy.

Your friend,
BOBBY DUNCAN
Wills Point, Texas

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, some dishes, nuts, candy and a bicycle.

Thank you,
ANDELIA CANIZALES

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a gun and a holster, and a pair of boots. Please bring me some nuts, candy and fruit. That is all. Please bring mother an apron.

Love,
LUTHER WADE BURNETT

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, dishes, candy and fruit.

Thank you,
SIMONAS CANIZALES

Dear Santa:

I am in the first grade. I go to the Vogelsang school. Please bring me colors, coloring book, tablet, pencils, volley ball and sparklers. Bring my little sister a marble shooter. Be good to all the children in the world. I want some fruit and nuts, too.

Your friend,
NORMA JEAN RUMMEL

Dear Santa:

I am in the second grade. I am seven years old. Will you please bring me a football, candy, gun, roman candles, firecrackers, torpedoes and a story book. Bring my brother something nice and my little sister a doll. My big sister wants a fountain pen. Bring all the children in the world some nuts, candy and fruit.

Your friend,
CHARLES MORAW

Dear Santa:

I am seven years old and in the second grade. Please bring me an electric train, a doctors set and a color book. Be good to my little sister.

Your friend,
PAUL ANDERSON

Dear Santa:

I am six years old. I go to the Vogelsang school. I am in the first grade. Will you please bring me a color book and colors and a doll. Bring my little brother a truck. Be good to all the little children all over the world. Bring some candy and fruit.

Your friend,
BARBARA ANN BOEHME

Dear Santa:

Bring me a football, a bicycle and some fruits, nuts and candy. Don't forget my Daddy, Mother, brothers and sisters. Bring me a pair of boots.

Your friend,
BILLY DUNCAN
Wills Point, Texas

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 3½ years old. I am not asking for very much this Chrsitmas all I want is a doll and a set of dishes. I would like a piano and some nuts, fruit and candies. Don't forget my Daddy who is in the Army occupation in Germany.

Your friend,
PATSY BIENVENU

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl and will soon be six years old. Please, Santa I want a rubber doll, a wagon, and a cattle truck. Santa, don't forget the other little girls and boys and my mother and daddy. I would love some fruit. And I hope you will think about my grandmother and grandpapa.

Your little friend,
SANDRA JEAN HEARD

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, doll buggy, nuts, candy and fruit. And Santa I want the doll's eyes to shut. I am learning all of my number tables at school.

Thank you,
ELIZABETH McDERMOTT

P. S. Please bring mother a pretty scarf and handkerchief.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle and a BB gun.

Thank you,
JUAN CANIZALES

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lehman and their friends of Temple visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ulicnik Wednesday.

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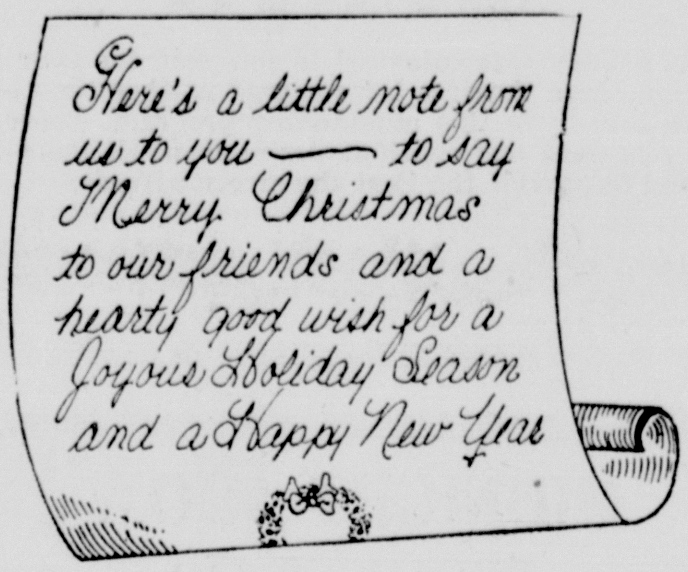
GREETINGS


Here's a little note from us to you — to say Merry Christmas to our friends and a hearty good wish for a Joyous Holiday Season and a Happy New Year

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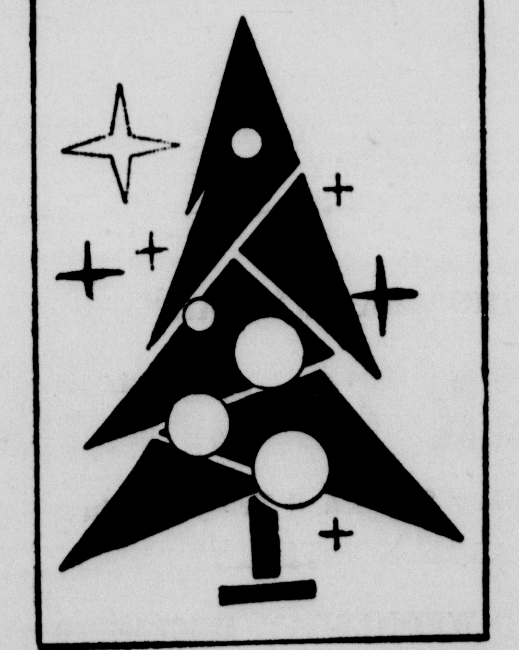
OUR WISH
FOR YOU

A MERRY CHRISTMAS
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

We sincerely hope that the New Year will be filled with peace and contentment for all. It's a genuine pleasure to remind ourselves of the happy relationships we have enjoyed the past year and to promise you that every effort will be made during the coming twelve months to serve you as efficiently as has always been our custom.



CAMERON ICE STATION
JOE HICKMAN
PHONE 8 210 WEST THIRD

How Many of Us Are Farmers Today

One third of our population?

One fourth?—One sixth?

Answer: One sixth

A total of 26 million persons on American farms feed themselves and the other 116 million of us. in addition to millions abroad.

It wasn't always this way. Nearly every American was a farmer 150 years ago, because it took most of his time to raise enough food for his family.

But since then improved equipment and methods have enabled each farmer to produce more and thus release more and more workers to produce other raw materials, machinery and services.

Agricultural progress made possible our industrial expansion. Together they gave us the highest standard of living in the world.

Since the first steel plow in 1837, progress in steel and in farm production have gone hand in hand.

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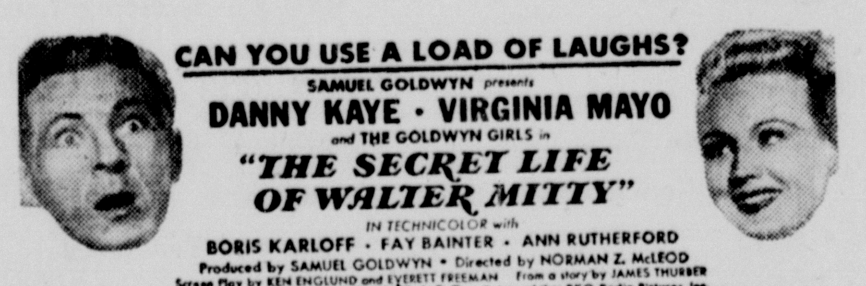
THE CAMERON THEATRE

Christmas Day December 25

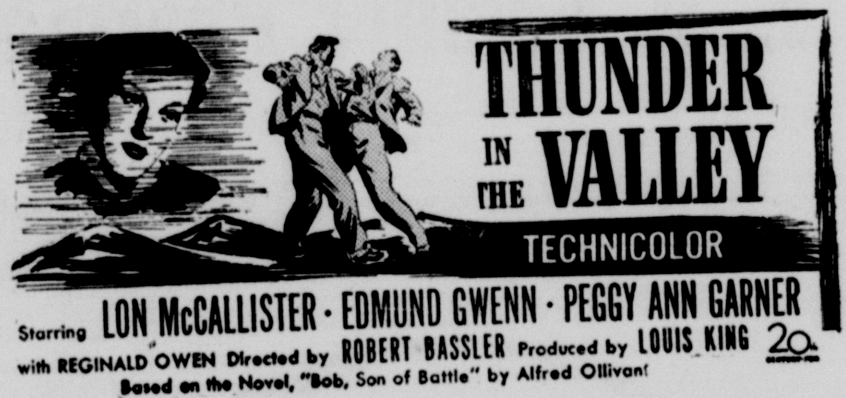
GEORGE RAFT
GEORGE BRENT
RANDOLPH SCOTT
JOAN BLONDELL
"Christmas Eve"
Released thru United Artists

Benedict Bogeaus presents
GEORGE RAFT
GEORGE BRENT
RANDOLPH SCOTT
JOAN BLONDELL
VIRGINIA FIELD · DOLORES MORAN
and ANN HARDING
Released thru United Artists
'Tis the night before CHRISTMAS and everything is jumping all over our house!
"Christmas Eve"

THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25 and 26


CAN YOU USE A LOAD OF LAUGHS?
SAMUEL GOLDWYN presents
DANNY KAYE · VIRGINIA MAYO
and THE GOLDWYN GIRLS in
"THE SECRET LIFE OF WALTER MITTY"
IN TECHNICOLOR with
BORIS KARLOFF · FAY BAINTER · ANN RUTHERFORD
Produced by SAMUEL GOLDWYN · Directed by NORMAN Z. McLEOD
Screen Play by KEN ENGLUND and EVERETT FREEMAN From a story by JAMES THURBER
Director of Photography LEE GARMES, A. S. C. Released thru RKO Radio Pictures, Inc.

THE CAMERON THEATRE
SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 28 and 29


THUNDER IN THE VALLEY
TECHNICOLOR
Starring LON McCALLISTER · EDMUND GWENN · PEGGY ANN GARNER
with REGINALD OWEN Directed by ROBERT BASSLER Produced by LOUIS KING 20th
Based on the Novel, "Bob, Son of Battle" by Alfred Ollivant

THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, JANUARY1 and 2

Cameron Theatre and Milam Theatre have entertained many thousands of guests during 1947 and the management is deeply grateful for the opportunity to provide outstanding entertainment each day. We are deeply grateful for your many favors and we trust that our efforts to provide good entertainment have been successful and we say to one and all

MERRY
CHRISTMAS

This holiday entertainment is arranged for your pleasure and these theatres have spared neither time or effort to bring you this outstanding program. These pictures represent our constant desire to merit your Good Will and to provide the Best the screen affords.

MIDNIGHT SHOW
DECEMBER 31st

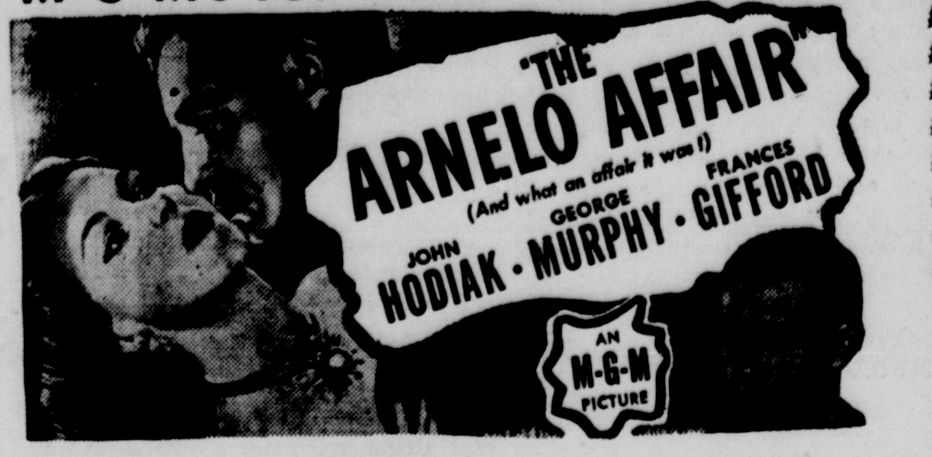
"THAT'S MY GAL"

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, JANUARY 1 and 2

'Thunder In The Valley'

Peggy Ann Garner and Lon McAllister

M-G-M'S TOP THRILL MELODRAMA!


"THE ARNELO AFFAIR"
(And what an affair it was!)
JOHN HODIAK · GEORGE MURPHY · FRANCES GIFFORD
AN M-G-M PICTURE

THE CAMERON THEATRE
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, RECEMBER 23 and 24

Warner Bros
RONALD REAGAN
SHIRLEY TEMPLE
That Hagen Girl
RORY CALHOUN · LOIS MAXWELL and PENNY EDWARDS · HARRY DAVENPORT · Directed by PETER GODFREY
Screen Play by Charles Hoffman · From a Novel by Edith Roberts · Music by Franz Waxman

THE CAMERON THEATRE
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30 and 31

UNIVERSAL-INTERNATIONAL presents
FRED MacMURRAY AVA GARDNER
Singapore
with ROLAND CULVER · RICHARD HAYDN · THOMAS GOMEZ · SPRING BYINGTON
A UNIVERSAL INTERNATIONAL PICTURE

THE CAMERON THEATRE
SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 21 and 22

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27
"THE SON OF RUSTY"
Ted Donaldson and Tom Powers

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

THE MILAM THEATRE

DECEMBER 25

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25

"SEVEN WERE SAVED"

Richard Denning and Catherine Craig

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26 and 27

"PRAIRIE RAIDERS"

Charles Starrett

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30 and 31

"The Bachelor and Bobby Soxer"

Cary Grant, Myrna Loy, Shirley Temple

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, JANUARY 2 and 3

"DANGEROUS VENTURE"

William (Hopalong Cassidy) Boyd

UNIVERSAL INTERNATIONAL presents
Pity the men in her life!
JOAN FONTAINE
PATRIC KNOWLES
HERBERT MARSHALL
RICHARD NEY
in SAM WOOD'S PRODUCTION OF "IVY"
Universal International
with SIR CEDRIC HARDWICKE · LUCILE WATSON · ROSALIND IVAN · SARA ALLGOOD
Screenplay by CHARLES BENNETT · Based on the novel "The Story of Ivy" by Marie Belloc Lowndes
Directed by SAM WOOD · Produced by WILLIAM CAMERON MENZIES

THE CAMERON THEATRE
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6 and 7

DESTINATION... DANGER!
WITH A CARGO OF THRILLS AND ADVENTURE!
ROBERT LOWERY · ANN SAVAGE in
JUNGLE FLIGHT
with BART McLANE · DOUGLAS FOWLEY · DOUGLAS BLACKLEY · CURT BOIS · DUNCAN RENALDO · PETER STEWART

THE MILAM THEATRE
SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 28 and 29

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

"BORN TO SPEED"

Johhny Sands and Terry Austin

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23 and 24

"Variety Girl"

Mary Hatcher and DeForest Kelley

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BUILDING PERMITS TOTAL $203,419.00

HAPPY COLORFUL CHRISTMAS SEASON FOR CAMERON

1948 IS BIG POLITICAL YEAR OVER NATION

PRECINCT TO PRESIDENT RACES ARE COMING UP

The New Year, 1948, will be political year and already things are shaping up and early in January candidates will begin to make their bid.

In 1948 offices from Precinct to President are to be filled.

On the national political stage hats have been thrown into the ring and the campaign has been under way for some time.

The political calendar for 1948 will be full, beginning in February and ending in November. Cameron voters will go to the polls in February to nominate officers for places in the city government for two years.

The Precinct Presidential Primaries will be held in May to name delegates to the county convention and from that body delegates will go to the state convention in June where National Delegates will be named to select candidates for President and Vice President.

Then will follow the July and August Primaries when Democrats nominate their candidates from Constable to Governor and United States Senate. Then will follow the November election and that will complete the political activities for the momentous year ahead.

Lee McLane, chairman of the Cameron Precinct Democratic Executive Committee, will soon prepare a notice for publication in early January calling a city primary for February.

J. B. White, Chairman of the Milam County Democratic Executive Committee, will issue notices in early May for the Precinct Primaries and then will follow up with the July primary following the county convention to name state delegates.

Indications were as the old year drew to a close that candidates will be numerous next summer. What the city political arena will will produce remains to be developed but it was certain there would be opposing candidates.

ROSEBUD WILL BUILD NEW $125,000 SCHOOL

Voters of the Rasebud Independent School District approved the issuance of $125,000 in bonds for the construction of a new school building and facilities here. According to the official vote, as tabulated by the school board in session Tuesday night, a total of 168 votes were polled with 126 votes being cast in favor and 42 votes against the issue—a three to one majority.

The plan as proposed in the proposition to the voters, calls for the erection of a combination gymnasium-auditorium, a cafeteria and six grade class rooms. The building is planned to be constructed on the site of the former athletic field and to the rear of the present brick school building.

According to a statement issued by the Board of Education this week, it will be at least twelve months or longer before any actual construction on the building can get under way. Opinions and legal proceedings, which include bids and sale of the bonds, and much study on the architectural and contracting work must of necessity consume quite a lot of time.—Rosebud News.

Koye Cass Enlists In Army Air Corps

Pfc. Koye A. Cass, 34, whose wife, Mrs. Tommie V. Cass, lives at Gause has enlisted in the U. S. Air Force at Camp Hood.

Cass, who has had 18 months previous service with the Air Force, signed up for three years.

NO HERALD NEXT WEEK

The Publisher has combined two circumstances to make the announcement there will be no weekly edition of The Herald on December 25. Due to the necessity to conserve newsprint to meet advertising contracts in January and the fact that the Holidays are here, has led to this decision. Our readers will bear with us. Seldom if ever have publishers faced the problem of newsprint supply in so acute a state as at this time. Precious supplies can be conserved by omitting the December 25 issue.

THE PUBLISHER

WOOD MILL WILL BE BUILT IN CAMERON

CONSTRUCTION WILL START IN JANUARY

L. G. Smith, manager of the Chamber of Commerce, said early Monday he had received a letter from H. A. Fonville of the F & G Manufacturing Company of Wichita Falls, stating that the Wood Mill and Box Factory will be built in Cameron.

Mr. Smith said that inquiries had been made over the cause of the delay. Mr. Fonville in his letter said that there has been delay in receipt of equipment and that duties there have contributed to the delay.

Mr. Fonville assures Mr. Smith that the factory will be built here and construction work will start early in January.

A location site has been obtained. Mr. Fonville spent some time here securing timber contracts and enough has been obtained to insure successful operation of the mill.

FIREMEN HERE OUTLINE HOLIDAY SAFETY RULES

We the Cameron Firemen ask the citizens to use every precaution possible while decorating for Christmas. Do not be careless during the holidays.

We are listing 10 simple rules to follow, complying by this request you will perhaps be instrumental in avoiding a disaster or tragedy. You may save an arm, eye or your home.

1. Use materials suitable for the job.
2. See that electrical equipment is in good order.
3. Avoid handling electrical cords and devices with wet hands.
4. See that no live metal is exposed in the sockets of Christmas tree lights.
5. Don't run cords under rugs, chairs, or under doors or locate them where subject to injury.
6. In removing attachment plugs from outlets, grasp the plug itself and do not pull on the cord.
7. Too many appliances on the same circuit at the same time is dangerous.
8. Pay special attention to points where cords enter appliances.
9. Do not let lighted bulb touch cotton, or paper, decorations, or wrap paper around light bulb.
10. Do not let children shoot fire works around dry grass or leaves.

May we all have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely yours,
Cameron Volunteer Fire Dept.

W. E. Kuzel, former Commissioner of Precinct 1, at Buckholts, was in Cameron Tuesday on business. Mr. Kuzel is greatly concerned over the need for rural farm to market roads.

AMENDMENT WILL HELP RURAL ROAD PROGRAM

Peoples of the several rural communities who have been so long neglected in the matter of their roads may look forward to 1948 with some degree of hope for an amendment to be voted on would authorize the use of all ad valorem taxes on rural roads .

The purpose of this amendment would be to authorize the several counties to retain the state ad valorem levy to be used exclusively for the construction and maintenance of farm to market roads.

If the amendment carries supplemental bond issues in counties would assure adaquate funds to relieve the acute situation into which so many communities now find themselves, notably in Milam county.

The full purpose together with all details of this proposed amendment will be given to the people through The Herald.

Support of the state government can now be assured from sources of income other than levies on real estate.

SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH RECORDED IN CAMERON

Cameron made considerable progress in 1947 with building permits showing a total of $203,419.00 up to December 15.

The figure index to the construction totals in the city were given The Herald Monday by W. H. Stafford, City Secretary.

As the old year drew to a close the people of Cameron could look back with some satisfaction for the old town had done considerable building, principally in new homes, although a few business buildings did go up during the year, representing a substantial portion of the permit totals.

Mr. Stafford would prepare a complete tabulation for the year early in January which would include the 15 days not accounted for in this report.

The growth being principally in homes is very substantial. The city's population increased during the year. It was estimated that there are now some 6500 people living in Cameron, including those sections that have spilled over the 100 year old city limits.

A small area was included in the city recently but added only about 40 new residents.

The city made little or no substanial progress in the matter of public improvements during the year. The city council let a contract for which it had to issue warrants, recently for a seal coating on the 70 blocks in the mercantile area. This is essentially a repair and maintenance job.

The city has during the year done a great deal of work on gravel streets opening new streets and doing a bit of surfacing. In the main the city is still without paving, adequate sanitation, street lighting, municipal building or any of the commonly accepted assets of a 100 year old town.

The city did acquire a much needed fire fighting unit in a new truck from the government war surplus pool.

WILL DISCUSS LONG RANGE FARM PROGRAM

W. A. Atkinson has announced there will be a meeting of the Milam County Council AAA on Monday, December 22, at 2:00 p. m. in the County Court House.

All farmers and business men are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

The purpose is to discuss with farmers, and let them express their opinion or make suggestions on a long range Agricultural program.

The Secretary of Agriculture, Clinton P. Anderson has offered a proposed program that will be used as a guide for the discussion.

Mr. Atkinson has requested as many farmers as possible to attend this meeting.

FARMERS WANT SUPPORT PRICE PROGRAM HERE

Peanut growers in Milam county have voted to ask the government to impose acreage quotas and to maintain support prices for the next three years.

Alva Sanders, manager of the Agricultural office here, said the vote was about 90 per cent for the program. A total of 124 votes were cast for the program and only 11 against.

Mr. Sanders is in receipt of a telegram from the Austin office of the Department of Agriculture stating that the government has indicated it will not impose acreage quotas this year due to the acute need for food in Europe.

In case there is no acreage quota the support price program would operate, it was presumed. Thus peanut growers can go ahead with the certainty of government support in the price market for peanuts for the next 3 years.

Miss Marjorie Denson, student of Baylor University will spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Denson.

Christmas
1947

EVERY christmas season brings to us the recurring knowledge that mankind need not be destined for sorrow, dejection and strife. The spirit of Christmas captures us with its glory and teaches us that a lasting peace on earth is our highest goal.

If you will permit the publisher of this newspaper one wish at this Christmas time, let it be this: That the spirit of the Christmas star may be our perpetual guide and that we may meet our fellow men on the level of peace, trust and friendship. Not just until December 26, but for the rest of the year—for the rest of our lives.

It is in that spirit that this newspaper extends to all of you its hope for a truly

MERRY CHRISTMAS

OBSERVANCE TO FOLLOW TRADITIONAL LINES

Christmas in Cameron will be observed this year much on the traditional side with home comings predominating along with family Christmas trees and a happy time for children.

Religious services commemorating the 1947th Christmas will center at the churches as usual the Cantata Sunday at Methodist Church being the outsanding event.

Catholic observance of Christmas is always colorful and attended by deep devotion to the significance of the Season. At St. Monica's church the usual program will be carried out with a series of Masses on Christmas even and on Christmas day.

Christmas day this year comes on Thursday. Observance schedules for many will contemplate the week end which will give them Sunday. Business will be at a standstill for the two days remaining of the week.

Christmas Eve on Wednesday will see the usual rush to the gift shops and stores. Merchants were reporting large volume sales with the peak to be reached next week for no matter how much folks are urged to shop early they always make a burden for themselves and on clerks in the closing hours of the big rush.

Cameron as a community had much for which to be thankful. As the old year closed out the people generally are in a happy frame of mind. The year 1947 was a prosperous year, primarily due to savings and the high prices of farm commodities and live stock and produce. Cameron made a very substantial progress in 1947 with growth both in the business and residential sections.

The New Year is promising. Good season wlll promote early farming and the major business of the county should get off to a good start.

Economic observers say that there will be no recession in 1948. Known business factors combined with farm income and the shortage of goods, making factory output large, all combined to present a rosy picture ahead.

With hard work, good sense and a lot of co-operation Cameron and Milam county are certain to make greater progress in 1948.

MAGICIANS TO BRING SHOW HERE DEC. 19

On Friday, December 19, in the Camreon High School Auditorium the "Nothing up our Sleeves" show will begin at 7:30 p. m. Never before has Cameron had such an opportunity to see such a versatile pair of top notch entertainers as Jimmy Walker and Walter Blaney. These two magicians have the most unique two hours of myrth and mystery ever presented in the Southwest. They are president and and vice-president, respectively, of the Texas University Magic Association, now a well known group of talented performers.

There will be moments of deep mystery in the show; miracles unexplained by one's senses will shake all foundations of logic. In other parts of the show comedy is so intense tears will come to your eyes. This is what has been said by audiences of their previous shows.

Beautiful music will hold everyone spellbound while cards, flowers, doves, rabbits, colored silks, and fishbowls fill the air from nowhere.

Two live trained pigeons will desolve and pass invisibly into previously examined cage.

Walker will take some lucky girl from the audience and actually make her float in the air while he passes

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The smart seamstress can lengthen last year's skirts in many ways. With a peplum it is very easy to insert a yoke at the top of the skirt where it will not be noticed. And one new dress has a cuff around the hem that looks very much like that of a trouser cuff.

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FAREWELLS TO THE GRIDIRON

(From the Daily)

It will be Farewell to the Gridiron Friday night for 18 Yoemen lettermen. The Daily Herald chronicles today a story that is mixed with deep sentiment as well as jubilancy. A lump in the throat and misty eyes are not ruled out either. It's going to be very hard to give them up, but they have been grand. No finer bunch of boys ever wore the Maroon and Grey. They have worked so hard. The fine coaching staff has worked hard. This newspaper has worked hard, in fact the whole community has marched every step of the way with them.

A Regional Game is the top rung of the ladder in Class A football this year. It is their big chance, it is theirs to win and to merit—a Regional Championship and what a triumph to crown four years of brilliant play and fine sportsmanship. Maybe we don't deserve such a fine team, such fine boys, but it is good to think we do. Win or lose it will be the same with us, boys. You have carried us aloft to victory. There have been no defeats this year. It is not so much whether you win or lose, but how you play the game, a famous one has said. It is that way and always will be that way. You deserve that Championship and we believe you are going to win it. So, as we say farewell to the Gridiron for 18 of you in this final game, we wish to commend you for the fine traditions you have upheld and for the fine fellows you are, every one of you. From day to day we will print a little sketch of you who are saying farewell to the Gridiron.

Lawrence Michalka, the man under the T has played consistently good football in every game he has performed in. Ruled out of the Regional last year by an injury, he will not have that handicap this year. Much will depend on him and he will be in there from beginning to end to bring victory.

T. J. O'Neill, the little coach on the field, has thrilled Cameron fans in every game. Holding the high scoring record for 1946 he has come through this year in a brilliant fashion. A constant threat and one of the very finest backs we have ever had.

Billy Hank whose driving force and never say die spirit has carried him to a berth on any mythical eleven, saw the 1946 Regional from an ambulance. He sustained a broken leg in the Bi-District game. He has been one of the most consistent ground gainers on the team. He will be equal to any job Friday night.

Richard Burke will always be remembered for his great play in the Belton and Rosebud games. He is the fiery little back to achieve the greatest improvement we have seen in any player. He has lived up to the best traditions of the Yoemen football spirit. We wish it were not farewell, Richard.

Charlie Rioia of whom it can be said no ball carrier has made headway through right tackle, has been the extra point man and while that point has not been necessary it is good to know he could always do it. Yes, Rioia, is a great among the all time great Yoemen and the unanimous choice in our affections.

Joe Hawkins, the spicey, jovial, left end, is saying Farewell to the Gridiron too. He has played great ball for 4 years and has been on the receiving end of more passes than any boy in Yoe High history. Great on defense as well as offense. It is hard to think about losing him this year. The eyes and hearts of all of us are on you, Joe.

The 1947 Yoemen brought more favorable publicity to the city than any other group among us. They are going to the Regional final Friday night and the spotlight will be on them. Fans may be a little excited but the Yoemen are regarding the match as grim piece of business. Deep down no doubt they are sentimentally aroused, who wouldn't be? Its the real and only championship a team may win in Class A this year. Next year they will have a state championship for Class A.

It is farewell to the gridiron for 18 of the Yoemen. It would be a sad commentary on a brilliant season if they failed to win the Regional Friday night. But that is not nearly so important as the example they have set for good sportsmanship and deep loyalty to their school, their community and to the great game they represent. They can win and we believe they are going to win. Of course this is going to be a hard game, nothing like anything they have played, but they have the stuff to win it. So it is farewell to the Gridiron for:

George Holiss, perhaps the best 152 pound guard the team ever had. Always giving away weight to opponents. He has been one of the rocks in that line. His play has been an inspiration to his team mates. He has earned a high place in Yoemen history. It is hard to say farewell to him, but we look for a more extended career on the college gridiron for George.

Billy Hanes has played under more difficulties than any other backfield man in the history of the team. Bill sustained a broken collar bone early in the 1946 season and again suffered the same injury last year but despite all that came through to make a great back. A senior letterman he carries the well wishes of thousands into the Regional game Friday night. So its farewell to the Gridiron for Billy too.

Denson Provasek than whom there has been no finer lineman has been a standout on offense and defense at Guard position, a great boy who is saying farewell to the Gridiron Friday night. The Coaching staff deeply regret he is a senior and playing out his eligibility this year. Here's a salute to Denson and its downright hard to say goodbye.

Berry Caldwell a two letterman and a tackle is among the 18 who will not be back in uniform next year. not be back in uniform next year, notably in the Gatesville game. He staved off a touchdown. His play has been fine. The best wishes of all Cameron goes with him as he says farewell to the Gridiron Friday night from the Regional game.

Charlie Duncan, credited with more line plays than any man on the team, has been one of the very best linemen who ever played for Yoe High. Charlie is a 3 letter senior and when the Regional is over Friday night he will hang up his Jersey, old No. 60 and it will be farewell to the gridiron. He is one of the brightest college prospects on the team. His play has made the Cameron line stand out at guard position. Such men cannot readily be replaced in the line.

Eugene Saiach, the Cameron left tackle, has not only been a stand out but sports writers say he is the best lineman in Texas either Class A or AA. Gene has played a terrific game in every contest and will be saying farewell to the gridiron Friday night in the regional and it is no secret that his play is an inspiration to every team mate. Gene is going to A&M. It was only natural that scouts would pick him. His jersey No. 61 is always visible in the thick of things.

Muggo Garcia, 160 pound back, has justified every expectation of the coaching staff. Fans here will always remember his great driving form in the Gatesville game. Garcia will be playing his last game under Yoemen colors Friday night in the Regional game. It is hard to say farewell to such a fine sportsman and so good a football player as he has been through his four years of eligibility at Yoe High School. The fans regard you, Muggo, as one of the best to ever star for Cameron.

Benard White, 165 pound guard, has played with ever increasing show of ability as a lineman. His play in the Rosebud game left nothing to be desired from the line coach Dick Young. Benard will be playing his last game for the Yoe High School Friday night in the Regional game at Temple against Mexia. It is to such traditions on the field that fans say well done to this fine boy and great guard. As with all others it is hard to give him up.

Jimmy O'Neill, twice all district center is certain to be the unanimous selection this year again as center. His play has been so good that he has been a standout for four years. Jimmy plans to go to A&M College and it is no secret that scouts have been eyeing this 180 pound lineman for a long time. In saying farewell to the high school gridiron Jimmy leaves a place that can hardly be filled. It is to such as Jimmy has been that these lines are dedicated in saluting Seniors who are saying farewell to the game Friday.

Dick Steelman as a quarterback and the man under the T formation has given strength to the great offense that has taken the Yoemen to the pinacle of success this year. Dick will be starring in his second Regional game Friday night and it is sad to comment that it will be his farewell to the gridiron too. He took over in the Regional in 1946 and fans remembered his brand of play. Dick is a fine boy a good sportsman and has upheld the highest traditions on the field of play.

Bob Holloway, the Cameron right end, is among the 18 senior lettermen who will be saying farewell to the gridiron Friday night in the Regional game. Bob has been a great lineman in every game, strong and dependable on offense and defense and it is deeply regretted that we must lose him. Fans here will always treasure his performances and for him it will be the second regional game in 2 years. Bob is held in the highest sports affection by fans and they say farewell with much regret.

Charlie Brady has played out his years of eligibility as a guard in the Cameron line, the best in the history of Yoe High School. Charlie has had his chances and has made good in every game. When touchdowns are made he is pulled out of the line to kick the extra point. To his credit it can be said he has never missed one, some record. In saying farewell to the gridiron Charlie leaves a great record for he has not only proved a great lineman he has been every inch a fine sportsman as well. Sorry you have to go Charlie.

Results From Vote On Peanut Quotas Are Shown Here

Here are the results from the Peanut referendum submitted on December 9 as recorded in the offices of the Agricultural Association here:

	For	Against
Cameron	23	44
Milano	15	0
Rockdale	33	7
Thorndale	31	0
Maysfield	12	0
Totals	124	11

T. H. Loftin of Thorndale transacted business at the court house recently.

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A LITTLE BABE BROUGHT PEACE

REV. E. O. HARRELL, Pastor
First Presbyterian Church

"Peace on earth!" The Christmas Christ, the world's Peace-bringer. A little Babe can bring peace.

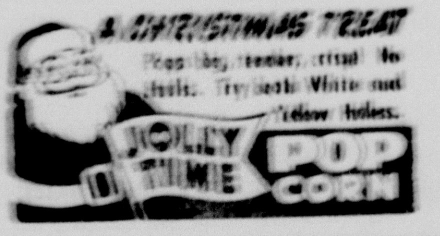
A day was dawning on a battlefield in Northern France through a fog so thick that no one could see more than a few yards from the trenches. In the night the Germans had drawn back their lines a little and the French had gone forward, but between the two positions a lonely farmhouse was still standing. As the sun rose, heavy guns began to boom. But suddenly on both sides the firing ceased and there fell a strange, dead stillness. Midway between the trenches, near the shattered farmhouse, there was—no, it must be impossible! But it was not, for there in the green meadow, crawling on its hands and knees, was a little baby. It appeared perfectly happy and contented, and the baby's laugh was heard as it clutched a dandelion. Not a shot was fired; scarcely did a soldier on either side dare breathe. This spot which had been an inferno of shot and shell, was now something like a peaceful island or a cool friendly oasis in a desert.

Suddenly a soldier jumped out of a trench and ran to where the child was crawling. He tenderly took it up and carried it back to shelter. No shots came from the trenches, but along both lines there rang out a mighty cheer.

The coming of a little babe had brought peace. Just as nearly two thousand years ago, when the Prince of Peace was born on that Christmas morning, he brought peace and good-will to men.

When all men know and love Christ there will be Peace.

Rev. Joe Edgar Love, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Love of Temple has been called to Columbus, Texas where he will be pastor of First Baptist Church. Rev. Love is a former resident of Cameron and is the grandson of Mrs. M. W. Price and the late Mr. Price who are pioneers of this city. The congregation will erect a new parsonage for their pastor.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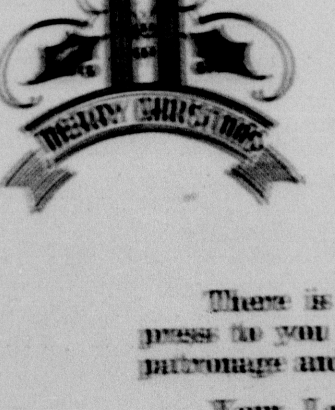
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SEASON'S
GREETING
There is no more suitable time than Christmas to express to you our sincere and genuine appreciation for your patronage and many favors.
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U. S. Paper Production Centered in Six States

New York and Michigan led all other states in paper production before the war. Together with Maine, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, and Ohio, the six states produce nearly half of total U. S. production, but their share has declined substantially. On the other hand, relative increases have taken place in some southern and Pacific coast states.

Greatest increase in output has been in paperboard, which approximates half of total domestic production. Newsprint and book paper have had sharp relative declines. The large increase in paperboard output corresponds with increased production of sulphate pulp, its raw material. Per capita domestic consumption of paper and paperboard in 1941 was 563 pounds, five times as much as in 1899 and the highest in the world. The industry carries on extensive research to promote new uses for its products.

Prewar imports of paper average 2.7 million tons annually, nearly all newsprint. About nine-tenths normally come from Canada and Newfoundland.

WHAT MAKES A CHRISTMAS CHRISTIAN?

REV. JOSEPH G. WICK, Minister
First Christian Church

First, the manner in which we observe Christmas will determine whether or not it is Christian. Judging from the conduct of a great many people on Christmas eve and Christmas, the occasion will be more aptly called a pagan holiday rather than a memorial of the birth of our Lord. Don't misunderstand me, it is a season of great joy, but the manner in which we experience that joy makes the difference.

Second, the spirit in which we give and receive will determine whether Christmas is Christian or pagan. The standard by which we are to judge is the spirit of Christ. Do we give expecting something better in return? Do we give grugingly, or because we feel an obligation? With our gift, do we give a part of ourselves? Christ first gave Himself; He expected nothing in return; He gave not because He had to, but because He wanted to, and chiefly, He gave because He loved people.

Third, a 25th of December which does not rceall to our minds the birth of our Lord and its significance for the history of mankind, is not worthy the name of Christmas. We ought to say, audibly or silently, a prayer of thankfulness that Christ was born. We ought to read, publicly or privately, Matthew or Luke's story of the birth of Christ.

So in our busy preparations and our joyous festivities may we not crowd Christ out of our thoughts as He was crowded out of the inn on that first Christmas.

Mrs. Thomas J. Hickerson of Rosebud spent Thursday here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Cottle.

FOR SALE—Slightly used table style cream separator. See Frank J. Tomek Sr. Route 1, Cameron. 31-3tp

Christmas Joy!

Once again the Yuletide season offers a welcome opportunity to extend cordial greetings and best wishes to all those whose friendship and patronage we have enjoyed during the year. May we express our appreciation of your consideration . . . and our best wishes for your continued happiness.

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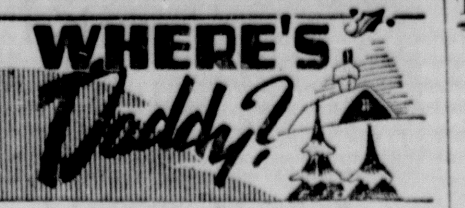
WHERE'S Daddy?



By DANIEL F. LINDSAY

KALLY O'NEIL walked slowly up the front steps. Her mother watched her from behind the curtain. Being five years old and having a problem had her near tears. She reached up on tip toes and opened the door.

"Kally, honey. Come in here a minute." Kally pushed the hood of her snow suit back and went into the living room.

"What do you want, Mommie?" She shook her blonde curls free.

"Oh, nothing much," her mother smiled, "I just want to know why my little girl looks so sad?"

"Well, Mommie," she slipped her coat off, "it's that girl down the street."

"Yes, dear, what about her?"

Kally could stand it no longer. She burst into tears and running over laid her head on her mother's lap. "That girl says," she sobbed, "that there isn't any Santa Claus."

"Well, now," her mother leaned down and gently bit the tip of her ear, "who'd ever believe a tale like that?"

"You don't believe her?"

"Of course not," she smiled down into the worried blue eyes. "We know there's a Santa Claus."

"B-but she said Daddy was him."

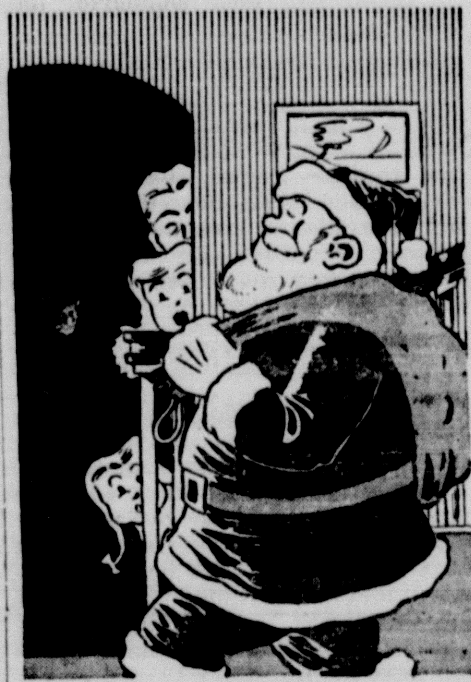
"Oh, pooh. Sit down there on the floor and I'll help you get your snow pants off."

"We could ask Daddy," Kally suggested.

"Yes, we could," she had an inspiration. "Better still we can wait until tomorrow night and see for ourselves."

"We can?" she sat up in surprise.

"Sure. You go to bed just like always, then when he comes I'll wake you up."



"Santa was just coming out."

She got up from the floor all excited. "You mean we can peek?"

"That's just what we'll do."

"George," she turned to her husband that evening after Kally had been put to bed, "our daughter has quite a problem."

"Women always have problems," he smiled over his newspaper. "What is it this time?"

"She knows about Santa."

"That's too bad," he pursed his lips, "but what can we do?"

"Get someone to put her toys under the tree while she watches."

"Sure," he laid the paper down, "why couldn't I do it?"

"She heard that you are Santa."

He chuckled. "She isn't the only woman in the family who thinks that."

"How about Bob Perkins?" she ignored his attempt at humor. "He's the right build."

"Okay," he agreed, "I'll arrange it in the morning."

"Kally," her mother shook her gently, "Santa is downstairs."

"He is?" she sat up rubbing her eyes, "HE IS?!"

"Okay," she slipped out of bed and into her slippers. In the early morning light she looked like a tiny blond elf.

"Put on your robe."

SHE got it and took her mother's hand. They crept down the stairs. Mommie held her back while she made sure Santa wasn't smoking a cigar. He was placing gifts around the tree. She motioned her to look. Kally peeked around the corner with big eyes. Then her head darted back.

"Where's daddy?" she asked in a stage whisper.

They heard footsteps on the stairs. Daddy crept down. Kally peeked around the corner again. Santa was just coming out with an army barracks bag over his shoulder. The three of them ran and hid behind the staircase. As soon as the front door slammed Kally was up the steps like a shot.

"Hey, Sweetheart," Daddy called after her, "he left the toys in the living room." He stopped as he heard his wife's laughter.

"What's the matter with her?" he glared at her suspiciously. "Doesn't she like the little tike?"

"I'm afraid, dear, that you'll never understand the feminine mind."

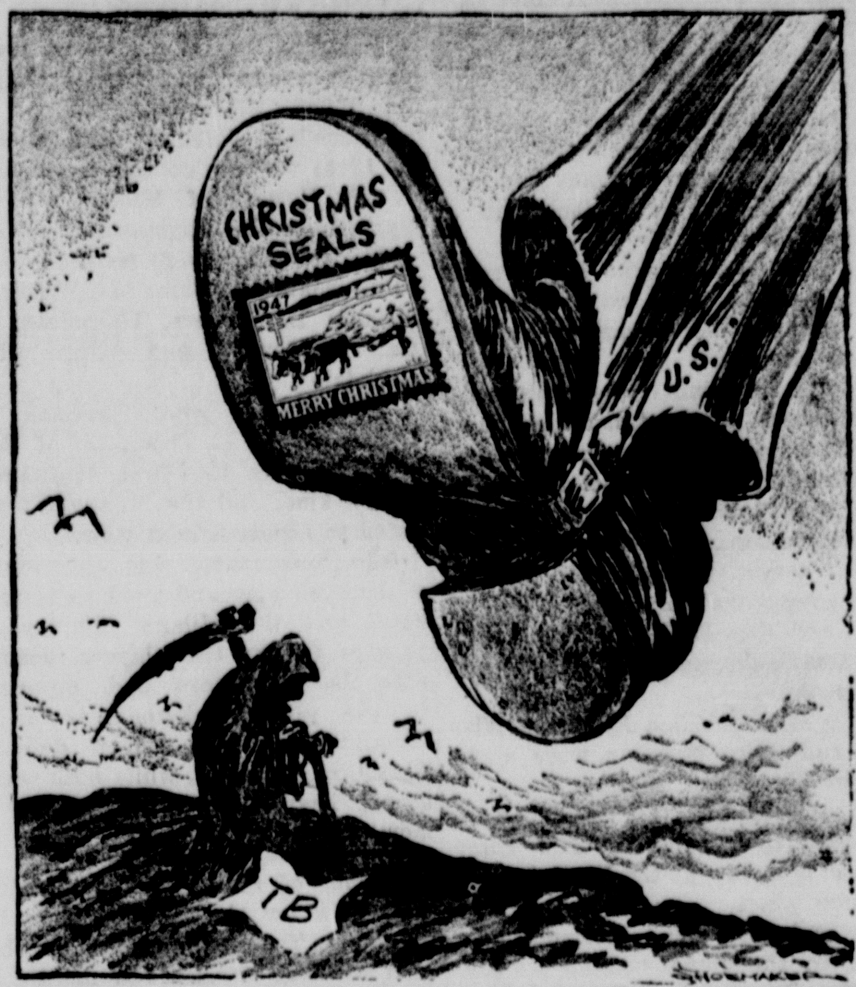
"What do you mean . . . where's she going?"

"To get her coat."

"Her coat . . . why?"

"She's going down the street to tell the little girl that she's all wet Because she has just seen Santa in her front room."

Stamp It Out!



Mrs. David Shapiro Host to Auxiliary VFW; Gifts Wrapped

The VFW meeting was held at the home of Mrs. David Shapiro this week and plans were made to send gifts to McClosky Hospital.

The gifts were wrapped and will be delivered to the hospital by Mrs. David Shapiro on December 9.

Following the meeting Mrs. Shapiro served refreshments of pie and coffee.

Judge and Mrs. Carol M. Pearce of Marlin were recent guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leland Green, Sr.

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Milano News

Everyone is looking forward and making plans for the Christmas holidays. All the churches, the American Legion and W. O. W. will sponsor a Christmas tree at the high school. We are wishing for good weather.

School will dismiss here Friday the 19th for the Christmas holidays.

H. N. Hensley is seriously ill at his home here.

Mrs. Bob James who has been ill here is better and was carried to the home of her daughter in Galveston Monday.

Mrs. H. Holdiness was hostess for a Christmas party at her home here last Monday honoring the members of Milano cemetery association. Gifts were exchanged by the members at the conclusion of the meeting. The hostess served refreshments. A very large crowd was present.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Westbrook were Christmas shoppers in Waco last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kirkland, Miss Kate and Alice Brennan were shopping in Waco last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Peeples have moved to their beautiful new home on what is known as the W. T. Brooker home place.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Morland have moved to the home vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Peeples and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stewart are now occupying the Moreland place while Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Haddox are living in the Stewart place.

Mrs. H. Reese and children have returned to their home at Liberty after a three weeks visit with her mother here, Mrs. Maggie Miller.

Want Ads Get Results!

Rockdale FFA Winner Basketball Tournament Held In Milano

Rockdale won the F. F. A. basketball tournament at Milano by defeating Milano 27 to 17.

Thorndale defeated Buckholts 20 to 17 to win the consolation bracket. R. P. Fussell of Milano won the Sportsmanship trophy.

The following were selected on the all-tournament team; J. Wilkerson, Milano; B. Shavers, Thorndale; and Caffey, Marwell and Alford all of Rockdale.

The officials were Harrison McLerran and I. L. Thompson of Cameron. This is the first tournament of it's kind, and the Milano Chapter voted to repeat it next year.

The tournament was characterized by even play and good sportsmanship, and the Milano Chapter expresses thanks the players, coaches officials, spectators and especially to the girl's basketball teams of Thrall and Sharp. Sharp defeated Thrall by one point, while both teams scored heavily with the F. F. A. members.

Friends of Amy Schlemer will be glad to know she is back with the Cammer's Tailor Shop here. She has been working the last few months in Austin.

CAMP & CAMP
ATTORNEYS
E. A. Camp E. B. Camp
Office at
CAMERON and ROCKDALE

By HELYN CONNELLY

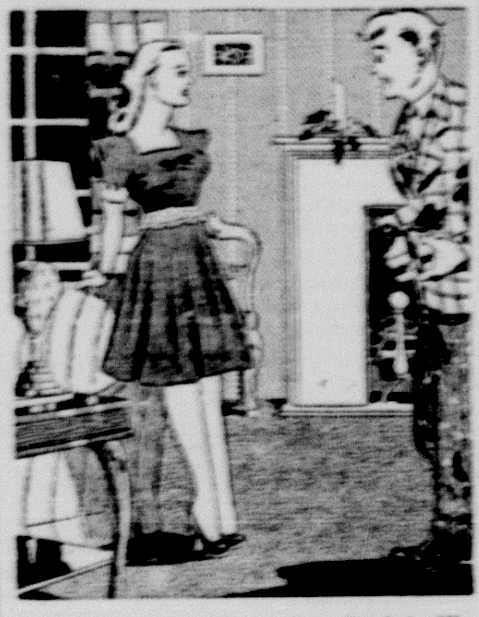
BETTY JANE threw her purse at a chair and sat down heavily on the bed.

She wore her father's shirt and her brother's blue jeans, a costume she adopted a year before with Woody Anderson's permission.

"What's the matter, dear?" She jumped as the words cut the silence, but she didn't turn. She didn't want her mother to know anything was amiss—not yet, anyway. And then suddenly the tears came, like angry flood waters bursting through a barrier, unable to be restrained any longer.

Mrs. Miller was careful to keep a straight face as she wiped her 16-year-old daughter's face with her handkerchief. "Why, dear? Did Lance upset you?"

Betty Jane shook her head vehemently. Why did mother always think her brother was to blame for her tears? Grown women never cried over their brothers! "It's what Lance saw, not what he did," Betty said in a burst of confidence. As her mother waited she continued wretchedly. "He saw Woody buying a bottle of cologne. Cologne, mother, imagine! He was so glib when he told me I looked cute in jeans and now he's two-timing me with some fluffy female who actually uses cologne! Oh, how can men be so beastly?"


"Gosh, you look wonderful like this!"

"Darling, how do you know the cologne isn't for you? Maybe Woody thinks you've outgrown your jeans."

"He knows what I think of these pink and white girls who use that horrible concoction! He wouldn't dare get me any. And besides, I already told him I wanted roller skates for Christmas. . . . I have to be ready for the new rink that's opening next month, don't I? I thought Woody and I would be going together, but now that's all over." She threw her arms around her mother and cried tragically, "Oh, mother, I'll never smile again! I definitely won't."

This time Mrs. Miller smiled over her daughter's head. She well recognized the stage Betty Jane was going through and decided she must take a hand. "You're sure the cologne wouldn't be for a sister or a cousin?"

"He hasn't a female in the family, and his mother never uses it, so who else could it possibly be for? I'll bet it's for Estelle Bryan. All the other fellows like her but Woody used to say she was too fragile. Oh, mother, how he's deceived me!"

HER mother arose. "Well, dry your eyes, Betty, dear. It's Christmas Eve and you want to be happy today. Woody will probably come over with your roller skates tonight and we'll surprise him. If he likes fragile girls, he'll get one."

Betty Jane sat up straight. "Mother, no! Not that horrible blue dress you bought me!

"You wash up and put that dress on, Betty.

"We'll wait for you downstairs." With that, Mrs. Miller closed the door on her tomboy daughter and hurried downstairs. As she reached the bottom step the doorbell rang and she admitted Woody Anderson, a lanky boy with unruly red hair and freckles marching in perfect formation over the bridge of his nose. He was clutching a box, obviously containing the roller skates requested by Betty Jane.

"She'll be right down," Mrs. Miller informed him, then left him alone for the surprise.

It came a half-hour later when Betty Jane made her appearance. The blue dress looked even better than she had hoped it would.

"Gosh, Betty Jane!" Woody contributed to the conversation. The smile broadened. "For me, Woody?" she asked, nodding toward the box. "Is it cologne? Lance saw you buying some." So casual, so indifferent.

"Uh—gosh, no, Betty Jane. Gee, you asked for skates and I got them for you. I bought cologne for Miss Lindsay, the English teacher that helped me with my essay for that contest."

"How sweet of you." She stepped down into the living room and accepted the box from Woody. "Thank you," she said gravely. "Yours is under the tree."

"Gee, I didn't think I'd ever like you dressed up as a girl, Betty," he gulped. "Estelle looked so awful and I was proud to have you run around with me in blue jeans, but, gosh, you look wonderful like this!"

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Is the Universe, Including Man, Evolved by Atomic Force?" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 21.

The Golden Text is: "The word of the Lord is right, and all his works are done in truth . . . For he spake, and it was done: he commanded, and it stood fast" (Psalms 33:4,9).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth" (Genesis 1:1).

The Lesson-Sermon also includes the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "God forms and peoples the universe" (page 509).

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Holland of Mont Ayre, Iowa will arrive in Cameron the latter part of the week to be with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Dodson, and the Dodsons and Hollands will spend Christmas with their other sisters in Goliad.

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MEXIA CATS 8; CAMERON 6

YOEMEN LOSE OUT IN SECOND REGIONAL TRY

The Yoemen, twice knocking at the Regional Football championship door in Region 8 within two years, were turned back Friday night in Temple in a heart breaking defeat by Mexia. The score was Mexia 8 and Cameron 6.

Defeat came largely through failure of the Cameron backfield coupled with inspired play by the Mexia linemen. The Cameron line with only one exception in the third quarter played its usual good football.

An uncanny digest of the Cameron sterotyped T formation offense enabled Coach Carroll Wood's Black Cats to win the coveted prize. The Yoemen have nothing for which to apologize. They played a good ball game but were up against a better team for the night and so that is the story in a nut shell.

Coach Leo Jackson was downcast Saturday but fans were not thinking so much of the loss for they do have a great tradition in three years of football under Jackson. He has been to the Regional twice. The game Friday night was a finale for 18 senior lettermen.

1st Quarter

Cameron won the toss, defending the east goal and kicked off to Mexia. Hill after 2 line plays failed to gain and Cameron recovered a fumble on the Mexia 34 yard line. Howard Beale came into the backfield. He made 2 yards and a pass from Michalka to T. J. O'Neill netted a first down with yards to spare. Michalka on one of few successful ball carring attempts of the night, made it a first down on the Mexia five and Howard Beale carried through center for a touchdown. Riola missed the extra point and the score was Cameron 6 Mexia 0 in the first three minutes of play. Olin Armstrong subbed in at right end for Bob Holloway. Hill tried a pass to Gilliam but Jimmy O'Neill broke it up. It was third down and 8 and so Dollar sailed the ball out to the Cameron 19 where T. J. O'Neill ran it back to the midfield. Cameron's vaunted running attack stalled as Michalka was plowed under 10 yards behind his line. He punted out on the Mexia 16. Nussbaum pieced two first downs in quick succession and John Hill who was the standout backfield star on both sides for the night had difficulties as Jimmy O'Neill, Riola and Duncan smeared him at the line twice. Denson Provasek was in there as line backer and was replaced by Zots. Hill tried a pass and it was no good. Dollar punted out on the Cameron 41. Hauk picked up 6 and Cameron lost five on a penalty as we marched one yard net. Beale came in a marked man. He made 2 yards and O'Neill lost yardage, the ball was on the 35. Garcia came in. A pass intended for Hawkins was intercepted as the quarter ended.

2nd Quarter

Mexia had the ball. Hill picked up 4 and Nussbaum failed to gain. It was third and 5. A pass Dollar to Hurley was broken up by Jimmy O'Neill, Hurley carried the ball to the Cameron 38 and it was third down. The Mexia team was taking chances that paid off. Hill made it a first down on fourth try with one yard to spare. Nussbaum lost 7 yards, spilled by Charles Duncan. Hurley failed to gain and it was 4th down and Dollar punted over the goal. Cameron took over on its own 20. The Mexia line matching the Yoemen forward wall excellently rose up and smacked down the Cameron backs. Dowdy, guard and Bill Hill were standouts and seemed to have a blue print of the Cameron play. Beale came in but failed to gain. Burke got 2 and O'Neill was" spilled for no gain. Michalka kicked and then went down field to spill Hill after a 10 yard run back. Hill passed to Nussbaum to the Cameron 34. O'Neill was finally able to bring the big Cat back down when it seemed he had a touchdown. Hill then took a pass from Hurley and made a first down on the Cameron 6. The play was good for 30 yards. Dollar got a yard and Hill was plowed under by Michalka for a 5 yard loss by Michalka. Hill then got 2 yards over center. The Cameron line was doing its stuff. Cameron refused a penalty to consume the down. A pass over the goal was incomplete and the ball went over on the 8. Michalka was slow getting his kick off from behind his goal and Giliam, the Cat end blocked the punt. Michalka fell on the ball but it was a safety and the score was Cameron 6, Mexia 2. The ball came out to the 20 and had to be kicked off by Riola to be put in play. Nussbaum ran it back to the Cameron 42. A pass attempt by Dollar was incomplete. Another pass and a line try netted nothing. A fourth down kick was killed on the Cameron 6 by an ineligible man and the ball was put in play on the 20. O'Neill and Hauk were going good. O'Neill picked up 6 and Hauk 10. It was first down but Michalka on the next try lost 10 yards as the half ended.

3rd Quarter

Hill kicked to Hauk who ran it back to his own 30. Hauk then picked up 10 for a first down on the Cameron 40. Hauk fumbled on the next play and Mexia recovered. It cost the Yoemen a touchdown. Zotz came in for Provasek as line backer. Hill picked up 6 and the ball was on the Cameron 36 and a first down. Hill got 6 and then ran to the Cameron 15. Hurley was hurt. Hill went to the 12 and then a 10 yard sprint right through the Cameron line placthe ball on the 2. It was Gene Salach who corralled him. Hill made one yard and then went over for a touchdown. The extra try was no good and the score was Mexia 8 and Cameron 6. Burke came in and took the kick off to run it back to the Cameron 22. Michalka made 2 and O'Neill negitiated the 30 and Cameron was penalized 5. Michalka carried to the 35 and a first down. Burke picked up 9 yards to the 44. Beale made a first down. Burke then raced to the Mexia 42 and it was three first downs in a row. Burke then carried to the 31 for another first down. It was good for 14 yards. O'Neill got 3 and the ball was on the Mexia 28. Cameron drew a 5 yard penalty and O'Neill lost 10 yards. Joe Hawkins had his troubles. He missed a pass again and it was 4th down. Michalka did not kick but fumbled the pass back from center and the ball went over. The drive was lost. Mexia took over. Hill was slapped down by Riola and failed to gain on two tries. Yardage was picked up and the Cats gambled on a 4th down try and made it, but could go no further and had to kick. Burke picked up 5 and Bealed failed to gain as the quarter ended.

4th Qurater

Hawkins took a pass from Michalka for 9 yards and it was a first down. O'Neill made another first down and the ball was on the 39. Beale and O'Neill got 8 and Burke made it a first down and the ball was on the Mexia 28. Burke was burning up the turf. Beale made 3 and O'Neill got to the 22. Burke then went to the 30. Fourth down try failed and he ball went over. Hill made 2, Dollar 5 and Salach, Jimmy O'Neill stopped Hill. It was 4th down and Dollar punted. O'Neill ran it back to the 40 after a fumble recovery. A pass to Hawkins was no good. Hawkins then took a pass for a first down. Michalka went to the 35. Garcia could not gain and Burke raced to the Mexia 28 and a first down. Michalka was rushed and a pass failed. Cameron drew a heart breaking 15 yard penalty for clipping. O'Neill failed to gain and Michalka failed. The ball went over. It had been twice an opportunity deep in the Mexia territory. With only minutes to play Mexia tried line plays and on fourth down kicked and O'Neill took it out of bounds deep in Cameron territory. A pass was no good and then Michalka passed to Hawkins for a first down. Michalka was thrown down on his own 21 trying to pass, losing 9 yards. O'Neill failed to gain and Michalka had to kick. Mexia froze the ball for four downs and the game ended. Score Mexia 8, Cameron 6.

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Newspring Shortage Serious; Newspapers Face Doubtful Days

The newsprint shortage has become more acute and Texas publishers were face to face with doubtful days ahead.

Mills have assured distributors that the pulp supply will improve after January 1st.

The Herald has been put to some extremes to keep its publications going. Early Monday the publishers obtained 150 reams of 22x34 telephone book stock from Southwestern Paper Company in Houston. This paper will be used for the daily.

The Daily Herald consumes some 20,000 sheets per month and the purchase early Monday will insure 75 thousand sheets or about three months supply.

Joe Moore Severely Ill In Hospital

Joe Moore of Gause is in St. Edward's Hospital in Cameron critically ill.

He became suddenly ill in Gause last week and suffered another attack a few days later and was brought to Cameron. Friends were showing some anxiety over his condition.

His condition was reported satisfactory Monday but he continues to be very ill.

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Milam county's 1947 cotton crop will be short several thousand bales of the estimate made some time ago, it was indicated by the report just received here from J. G. Thompson, special agent for the Department of Commerce.

Mr. Thompson's report shows that there were 21,811 bales of cotton ginned in Milam county from the crop of 1947 prior to December 1 as compared with 9464 bales from the crop of 1946 for the same period.

Little cotton remained to be ginned when the report was made. The government makes its final crop estimate on December 1 but statisticians such as Mr. Thompson continue to record ginnings through the winter.

George Young of Tracy was a welcome visitor here Tuesday.

Frank Mitchell and Chas. Hicks made a business trip to Dallas Wednesday.

Baptist Pageant To Celebrate Christmas To Be Given Sunday

The First Baptist church will present its annual Christmas pageant on Sunday evening, December 21 at 7:30 p. m. in the church auditorium.

This years pageant will be directed by Mrs. J. E. Flinn and Mrs. O. B. Harden. It will be "The Nativity" by Rosamund Kimball. It's cast will consist of members of the church with a number of members serving on various committies to be named. The nativity story told by biblical selections arranged in dramatic form and accompanied by Christian carols.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Varner of Gause were in Cameron on business Monday and to visit Joe Moore at the St. Edwards Hospital. They recently opened their new department store in Gause and a story will be printed in the Weekly Herald.

J. W. Harris and family of Marque spent the week end in the home of his mother, Mrs. W. R. Harris in Cameron.

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THE NEW VARNER STORE AT GAUSE

Gause was the scene of a gala occasion when the Varner's new department store had its formal opening on Friday evening, December 5th.

Friends came from far and near to share in the joys of the fine contribution that they have made to the little town of Gause.

For three generations the Varners have operated mercantile stores on the site of G. R. Varner's new building. R. S. Cox of Columbus, Mississippi, maternal grandfather of G. R. Varner, erected the first building in 1874 and the second in 1890.

G. R. Varner, better known as Son, is a born merchandizer. He began his career as a merchandizer while still a school boy in Gause by operating on Saturdays a hamburger stand built from dry goods boxes donated to him by the merchants of the town. With the meager savings from his hamburger business and the savings of an ordinary seaman in the U. S. Navy of World War I, he went into the grocery business on a small scale at the close of the war. Though still only a boy, he began merchandizing and through good years and bad has made and kept friends and customers.

Mr. Varner's new building is ultra modern with its visualized front, the plate glass extending 52 feet in width and 8 feet in height, and beginning six inches above the sidewalk The plate glass is bordered with green vitrolite. The awning is bordered with aluminum stripping and is lined with 120 feet of white neon tubing. The transoms are glass brick. The interior walls are aquamarine which harmonizes beautifully with the solid oak fixtures finished in natural wood. Much credit for the beauty of the interior is given to Paul Klearner of Calcasieu Mill, Austin, who designed and built the fixtures and cases. The store consists of a jewelry department, dry goods, drugs, grocery, meat market, and food bar. The gift goods are shelved in a section of most unique design.

The personnel of the store on opening day included Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Varner, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Varner, H. M. Walker, Mrs. Terry Moore, Mrs. H. A. Lange, Mrs. Cecil Lange, Mrs. Giles Jordan, and Donivan Jordan.

The Varners are deeply grateful to their friends for the felicitous compliments, for the messages and letters of good will, and for he beautiful floral offerings. The guests registered showed over a thousand visitors on opening night and 584 customers on opening day. Throughout the evening of the 5th and opening day, Mr. Varner gave to the lucky registrants a blanket and 18 well filled baskets of groceries.

Mr. Varner is to be congratulated for giving to Gause and to Milam County one of the nicest structures of is kind to be found anywhere. One only has to see the building to know that it is the product of hours of planning and hard work.

Good luck and best wishes to you, Mr. Varner.

Jerry Schiller Motor Co. Will Tender Big Banquet to Yoemen

The biggest social and civic development of the week is the announcement from Jerry Schiller Motor Company that they are tendering the 1947 Yoemen a banquet on Thursday night December 18.

Invitations have been sent out and preparations are under way for the big annual event.

The barbecue supper will be given in the Ada Henderson school cafeteria beginning at 7 o'clock.

Jerry Schiller Motor Company, Dodge and Plymouth Dealers here, are being commended for this fine gesture of appreciation for the Yoemen in 1947.

The letters inviting special guests are signed by Jerry B. Schiller and Milton J. Schiller.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fannin have had as guests for several days, their children, Mr. and Mrs. Horzell Elkins of Houston and Mrs. R. B. Kilgore and son from Cleveland, Ohio.

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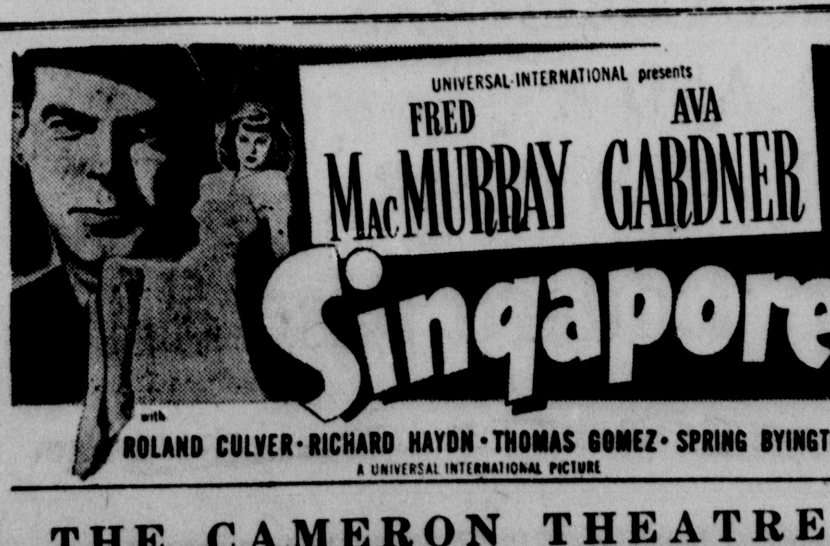

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To tne Sheriff or any Constable of Milam County, Greeting:

Sam Eller, guardian of the Estate of Willie Ray and Maggie Louise Eller having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said Willie Ray and Maggie Louise Eller, Minors numbered 3306 on the Probate Docket of Milam County, together with an application to be discharged from said Guardianship.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, That by publication of this Writ one time and said publication shall be not less than ten days before the return day thereof, in a Newspaper printed in the County of Milam you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on Monday the 29th day of December A. D. 1947, at the Court House of said County, in Cameron, Texas, when said account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of said Court, at my office in the City of Cameron, Texas this 12th day of December A. D. 1947.

HOMER NABOURS,
Clerk, County Court Milam County.
By Bessie Dunham, Deputy

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Original Writ now in my hands.

CARL C. BLACK,
Sheriff Milam County.
By Will Vaughn, Deputy

Dr. W. H. Lyon Now Retired From His Practice At Edinburg

News has been received by friends of Dr. William Hartford Lyon, who is living with his son, Robert Lyon of Edinburg. Dr. Lyon has retired from practice at the age of 78. He is a former resident of Cameron, but for many years had been residing in Miles. Dr. Lyon has been a successful doctor for more than 50 years. He married Miss Dove James, daughter of Judge James, who for many years was District Judge and at one time District Attorney, Dr. Lyon was born in Shreveport, La., and came to Texas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Drummond Lyon. His wife died in 1942. He is a Veteran of World War I, having served four years in the Medical Corps.

Celebrate Golden Wedding To-Day

(From the Daily)

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Shuffield are celebrating their Golden Wedding Anniversary, to-day, Friday, December 12 at their home at Belmena.

The reception at the home will begin at 2 p. m. and will continue until 10 p. m. this evening. Many friends in Cameron and from the Belmena and other communities are planning to attend to congratulate the couple and wish for them many more happy anniversaries.

Mr. Shuffield is a member of a prominent Milam county family, and was born and reared in the Belmena and Maysfield communities. He has been engaged in business and farming for a long period of time.

Mrs. Shuffield is the former Miss Belle Williams of Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. Shuffield are the parents of four children, Mrs. D. V. Neal of Golden Meadow, La., and Mrs. Eula Harwell of Cameron; two sons, Coy Shuffield and Carlton Shuffield of Cameron.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the anniversary celebration at the Shuffield home at Belmena.

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Christmas what a lovely word—and yet many of us do not really know its signification.

Some people think it is only a name, a special day; others again take Christmas as being the time when family bonds are reunited, and of those beloved ones who have been away for a long, long time; and others again in giving tokens and expecting something in return, and again others in friolities of eating and drinking etc., etc.; but, thank God, the majority of people enter in the really Christmas, Christian Spirit, the only and really one to possess during the Christmas Season, namely the Birth of Jesus at Bethlehem.

Yes the birth of Jesus is the only natural Christmas in a christian civilization and foundation of the family. It was Jesus, the longed, longed desired Messias, the Son of God, necessary to make the third member of the Holy family, Jesus, Marie, Joseph, the most perfect family of all times. Through all the centuries families have contemplated this Holy model Family and have tried to reproduce some of its excellencies in their own circle.

Never was there in existence of a better combination of three wonderful people than the Holy Family. Their lives were simple a mirror of the divine plan for each of them. Taken together, the lives of Jesus Mary, Joseph were indeed the focal point at which all the ages before them from the time of our first parents converged. And all the centuries that have passed since then, and those still to come, look back at the short span of their lives as the pitoval period in the history of men on this earth. The Holy Family is really our model here on this earthly pilgramage. And in fact the more we study, and meditate daily on the life and time of this most perfect family, the more similarities we find between their lives and ours and the more strength we gain to face up to our responsibilities. In doing so daily, we are like the Three Wise Kings, looking for the Savior, not at Jerusalem, but finding Him or They J. M. J. in the little cave of Bethlehem or home of Nazareth. Imitating Them step by step, daily and hourly the lives of J. M. J. will bring us earthly happiness and suriest way to eternal salvation, edification of each family member. Yes, dear fathers, mothers and children it is a duty and an obligation, commended by God the Almighty, to care of each others happiness here on earth to attain ours, as well theirs eternal salvation.

What better time is here then for this than the Christmas Season for a searching examination of conscience on the family virtues. Let us therefore make frequent visit to the crib or at least in spirit. It is here where we should compare our life and ourselves to theirs J. M. J. It brings us closer to the beautiful exemplars than we were last year. It brings us joy, happiness, sweetness and peace to our soul and heart. The Angel's Gloria singing will echo then in our mind and heart during all the year or even of our life, till we will sing an eternal Christmas in the heavenly Jerusalem, our home and destinee by the Allmighty Creator.

December 24, at 11:45 p. m., Christmas carols by St. Monica's Choir. December 25, High Mass at midnight. Second Mass at the Hospital, third Mass, at 9:00 a .m. at St. Monica's Church followed by benediction.

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MAGIC SHOW—

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a solid hoop over her to prove there are no connections.

Blaney will exhibit a demonstration of his much heralded extraordinary memory feats. Another act will show this artistic mastery of the original East Indian Cups and Balls and the art of juggling.

Can two objects occupy the same space at the same time? Physics proves that this can not happen, but Walker will demonstrate that it can be done when he passes a solid steel blade through the neck of someone in the audience. He uses a replica of an old Chinese Guillotine to present this startling effect.

In this performance of "Nothing up our Sleeves" Walker will present his newest and most novel creation, Nancy, a little girl ventriloquil figure that claims she is smarter than Jimmy. It will be interesting to see how the battle of dialogue turns out.

To end this great show will be the cleverest bit of hocus-pocus yet devised when Blaney and Walker both try to perform at the same time.

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Society in the News

Hazel Holloway and Kenneth Steele Are Married December 4

Miss Hazel Holloway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Holloway of Cameron and Kenneth Steele, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Steele of Sudan, Texas, were united in marriage on December 4 in Sudan.

The bride and groom were attended by Miss Mattie Holloway, sister of the bride and Charles Steele, brother of the groom.

A wedding supper was held at the home of the grooms parents following the ceremony.

The bride attended Yoe High School, and prior to her marriage was employed at the Cameron Bakery.

Mrs. R. L. Lemons Is Hostess to Society Of Christian Service

Mrs. R. L. Lemons entertained the officers of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the new year with a luncheon at the parsonage Wednesday afternoon at one.

The reception room and the living room were gayly decorated with festive arrangements of Christmas greens and poinsettias. The holiday theme was carried out in the dining room with a lovely centerpiece of red poinsettias and with place cards which told the Christmas Story. After a delightful luncheon hour, a general discussion followed and plans were formulated for the coming year.

Guests present were: Mrs. A. W. McCullin, Mrs. Mary Robinson, Mrs. Lilly Tucker, Mrs. Bob Terry, Mrs. Howard Baskin, Mrs. John Henderson, Mrs. W. P. McCall, Mrs. W. E. Gaither, Mrs. J. Lacy Wills, Mrs. R. L. Batte, Mrs. D. H. Slaughter, Mrs. O. B. Horstmann, Mrs. Leland Green, Mrs. J. W. Kemp and Mrs. Hal White.

Mrs. Jimmy Angell Is Hostess to The Happy Time 42 Club

Mrs. Jimmy Angell was hostess to the Happy Time 42 Club, at her home December 11.

Mrs. Ellis Coker and Mrs. C. C. Armstrong were welcomed as new members. Five visitors were present, and two members were absent.

A refreshment salad plate with tea was served, and several games of 42 were enjoyed.

Next regular meeting will be held with Mrs. H. N. Tate as hostess at her home, on December 18.

Agnes Zarosky Married To Julius Tepera At Marak Church, Nov. 25

Miss Agnes Zarosky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zarosky, became the bride of Julius Tepera, son of Mrs. Frances Tepera and the late Louis Tepera of Marak, Tuesday November 25, 1947, at nine o'clock in the morning.

Rev. Ben Holub pastor read the double ring ceremony, at St. Cyril and Methodius Catholic Church, at Marak.

The bride wore a white satin wedding gown, fashioned with a sweetheart neckline, tight bodice, and full gathered skirt. Her veil of illusion fell from a tiara.

Bridesmaids were Miss Margarete Tepera dressed in a rose colored dress, Miss Otilia Kostroun dressed in light blue, Miss Frances Strmiska dressed in light blue and Miss Evelyn Zarosky dressed in rose.

Groomsmen were Edward Zarosky, brother of the bride, Frankie Tepera, brother of the groom, Frank Masar and Matt Zarosky. Junior bride and groom were Evelyn Dornalik and Frankie Marak.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, where dinner was served to the families and Rev. Holub and Miss Terezie Picha. Others who attended the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. Clem Zarosky, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Zarosky, Sr., and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zarosky and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Zarosky and daughters, Mrs. Kristina Tepera, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mascar, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Luskac, Fred Lazek, Sr., Fred Lazek, Jr., Aleck Lazek, Rudolph Marak, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weems, Miss Barbara Jane Gurecky, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Zaverel, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Mraz and son, Stanley Vaculin, Miss Frank Tomek, Dorothy Tomek, Clem Tomek, Frankie and Mary Ann Ejem, Mr. and Mrs. John Dohnalik and family and Mrs. Frances Tepera all of Cameron. Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Tepera and sons, Mrs. Frances Tepera and sons, Mr. and Mrs. John Marak, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. John Marak Jr., and family, Mrs. Josephine Dohnalik, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dohnalik and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Dohnalik and family, Misses Thresa and Stacy Barosh, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dohnalik and son, Mr. and Mrs. Anton Mikula and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Kostroun all of Marak, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Provazek and sons and Joe Zavrel of Temple, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Strmiska, John Machacek, Tom Drazd, Frank Vrana, Edward Steffek and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Bohac all of Granger, Mr. and Mrs. Will Tepera and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Brezina and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Nemec and family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nemec and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nemec and family of Taft, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Nemec and son, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jurice and Edward Nemec, of Corpus Christi, and Kay Braungel of Houston.

After an all day celebration a wedding dance was held at National Hall that night, with music furnished by the Granger Polka Time.

Matilda Susek and Charles Horelica Married December 10

Matilda Susek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Susek became the bride of Charles Horelica, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Horelica of the Salem community at the St. Monica Catholic church in Cameron, Decmeber 10 with Rev. Duda reading the ceremony. Their only attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Susek brother of the bride.

The bride wore a green suit with black accessories and a corsage of white chrysanthemum.

Mr. Horelica is a veteran of world war II, having served five years in the army and two of these years over seas. The couple plan to go to San Antonio on their wedding trip. They will make their home in Cameron.

Following the wedding a reception was held at the home of the grooms sister, Mrs. Fred Peed, where the beautiful three-tiered wedding cake was served with refreshments.

Mrs. Leo Laake Host To Woodmen Circle

Mrs. Leo Laake entertained members of the Woodmen Circle No. 996 with a party at her home Tuesday evening at 7:30.

The home was gaily decorated with festive arangements of flowers carrying out the holiday theme.

Mrs. Laake, president of the circle presided over the business session at which time a donatoin was made for the orpans at the Sherman Home.

A social hour was enjoyed following the business session. Refreshments of hot chocolate and cookies were served.

Mrs. J. H. Sapp is spending several weeks in Houston where she is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. T. Epperson and family and other relatives and friends.

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Marie Lively Married To Jesse W. Mathis In Galveston Ceremony

Miss Marie Lively, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Lively of Cameron, and Jesse W. Mathis, son of the late Mrs. Zuma Mathis of Doyline, Louisiana wer united in marriage, at the Central Christian Church in Galveston, December 6, 1947, at eight o'clock in the evening, with Rev. Howell Rea officiating.

The bride wore a sky blue crepe dress with black accessories and a corsage of white carnations. She was attended by, Miss Bernice Parker as made of honor, who was dressed in a frock of beige gaberdine with brown accessories.

Alfred Sheeler attended the groom as best man.

Mrs. Mathis is a graduate of Rogers High school and attended Temple Junior College. Prior to her marriage she was employed in Galveston. Mr. Mathis attended school in Doyline, La., and is now employed in Galveston.

After a wedding trip the couple are at home, at 1723 Tremont in Galveston.

Nan Reno Observes Fourth Birthday on November 25 Here

Nan Reno celebrated her fourth birthday on November 25 with a party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reno, at 4:00 p. m.

Refreshments of birthday cake and orange float was served to the following children: Laura and Nancy Swift, Kay and Jimmy Camp, Delamon Hayes, Carroll Fikes, Vera Perrin, Karen Hobson, Pam Green, David and Dianne Boehner, Georgia Gillis, Eddie Dismukes, Sandra Swift, Jean Lester, Janice Crittendon, Mary and Betty Kestenbaum, Rebecca Hardin, David Hudson, Rosemary Matula, Diane DuBois, Della Ann Bickett, Helen Reid, Suzanne Lippman, Bennie Winfield, Frances Jackson, Craig Wallace, David Reichert and Tandy Wilkerson.

Games were played and a Walt Disney movie was enjoyed by the group.

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SUNDAY AND MONDAY
MILAM THEATRE
December 21 and 22

STATEMENT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MANAGEMENT, CIRCULATION, ETC., REQUIRED BY THE ACTS OF CONGRESS OF AUGUST 24, 1912, AND MARCH 3, 1933.

Of The Cameron Herald published weekly at Cameron, Texas for October, 1947.

State of Texas, County of Milam.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared J. B. White, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the Owner and Publisher of the Cameron Herald and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the act of August 24, 1912, as amended by the acts of March 3, 1933, and July 2, 1946.

That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are: J. B. White, Cameron, Texas.

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J. B. WHITE

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of December, 1947.

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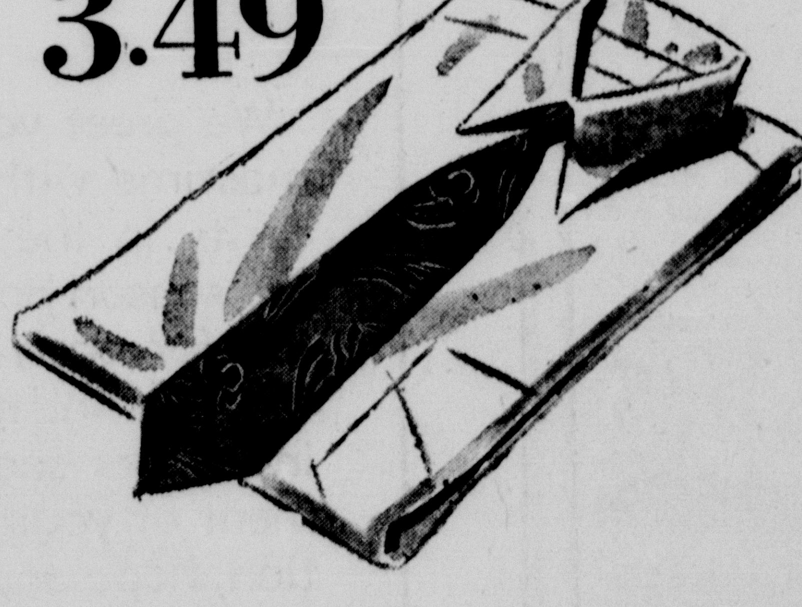

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THE WORLD NEEDS A SONG

REV. L. L. MORRISS, Pastor
First Baptist Church

The other night, tired after a busy day, I quickly twisted the radio dial in typical American fashion. Rapidly each program made its entry and identified itself, but a turn of the wrist was all that was needed to turn away the less appealing clamor of voices and music that leaped out in an attempt to claim first place on my listening diet.

There was the usual nauseating singing commercials, and blare of the jazz bands, and the parade of moronic jokesters suggesting the need of a mental bath more than good humor, all of which were quickly disposed of in the waste basket of the either waves conveniently furnished by way of a fast moving dial. A doleful and sleepy news commentator was giving out with a constant chatter of the possibilities of World War III, his voice too was clipped by the dial much quicker than he vainly suspected. Then there was a slow purring and sputtering sounds of discord as several programs rushed simultaneous for entry. If what I heard was the heart beat of the world then things were at a low ebb, sick and badly in need of a physician.

Then suddenly far away, now plainer—the soft strains of a Christmas carol was plucked from the night and brought by radio to my listening heart. Its familiar lines were "Joy to the World, the Lord has come, Let earth receive her King". Carefully I listened feeling the sentiment expressed by Longfellow,

"And in despair I bowed my head;
There is no peace on Earth", I said;
For hate is strong, and mock the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men."
"Then pealed the bells more loud and deep;
'God is not dead, nor doth He sleep!
The wrong shall fail, the right prevail.
With peace on earth, good will to men."

These thoughts were what I needed to close the day. For this was the meaning of Christmas to the world. A world tired and tried, filled with the clamour and discord of noise, after twelve busy months, could hear again the songs of the Angels singing their glad song of Peace on Earth good will to men, and face the future fearlessly confident that though we cannot know the future, we can know Him who holds the future.

Ada Henderson School Honor Roll

First Grade: Iris Anita Brasher, Kay Camp, Barbara Coward, Johnnie Davis, Allen Dodson, Bobby Edmonds, Billy Hensley, Charles Kirk, Carolyn Sue Knipp, Archie Lee Mraz, Ann Swift, Laura Swift, Jonnie Young, Paul Young, Roger Abbott, Jackie Allen, Nelda Baldridge, Peggy Dismukes, Lanelle Fikes, Carol Gregory, Jimmie Henson, James Manning, Billy Fred Neal, Paul Robbins, Donnie Robbins, Elnora Walters, William Warren, Eddy Williams, Nancy Sue Wilkerson, Sharon Sue Wise, and Peggy Wilson.

Second Grade: Adrian Bailey, Carter Collins, Bobby Elliott, Ray Green, Mike McDermott, Leon McGoldrick, George Malone, Dwight Moody, Johnny Mosley, Cecil Rhodes, Arlin Smith, Clifford Swift, Burns Thomas, Donald Woods, Janice Bridges, Barbara Collins, Gailya Griswold, Ruth Matyastik, Jackie Mauldin, Paula Jean Thompson, Emanuel Fleischer, Carol Green, Laura W. Jackson, Arthur Marak, Jimmie Ray Smith, Hal White, Lorene Conley, Sharlotte Greenless.

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Fourth Grade: Joyce Edmonds, Ruth Heath, Carol Ann Matula, Rose Marie Matyastik, Lawanda Raney, Annetta Shelander, Joyce Ann Wilkinson, Tom Collins, Tommie Collins, Fred Fleischer, Kenneth Stufflebeme, Bobby Witcher, Wilma Faye Baldridge, Johna Lee Brasher and Joyce Nicholson.

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Eighth Grade: Florence Ruth Baecker, Virginia Graham, Leland Green, John Henderson, Bryce McClellan, Glen Rosenberg and Barbara Walton.

WEATHER FORECAST IS ENCOURAGING HERE

Skies will be clear if early morning weather forecasts can be relied upon.

Cameron weather was very cold early Monday, 35 degrees and rain had fallen in the night. Up to midnight Monday a total of .42 inches had fallen and after that hour .48 inches fell making a total of .90.

L. W. Smith of the Community Public Srevice Company, local observer for the Government, said that the low here Monday was 35 degrees.

In north Texas severe weather was in progress. It was raining and snowing in San Antonio early Monday and also in Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Orsag and daughter spent the week end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hundle in Buckholts. Mrs. Orsag remained with her parents and other relatives in and around Cameron. Mr. Orsag will return for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. T. E. Crump is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jerry Stevenson in New Orleans this week.

THE *Joy* of CHRISTMAS

There is no joy to surpass that of Christmas and we are hoping that you will receive an abundance of it this Christmas and for many years to come. May you have a shower of nice things and may the joy that comes so naturally at Christmastime go with you through every day of the coming year.

MARY BELLE BATTE
AND
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To Our Friends!

We greet you at Christmastime with all the sincerity in the world. May the season hold abundant joy for each of you, our friends. And may the coming years see the fulfillment of your every ambition, hope and desire.

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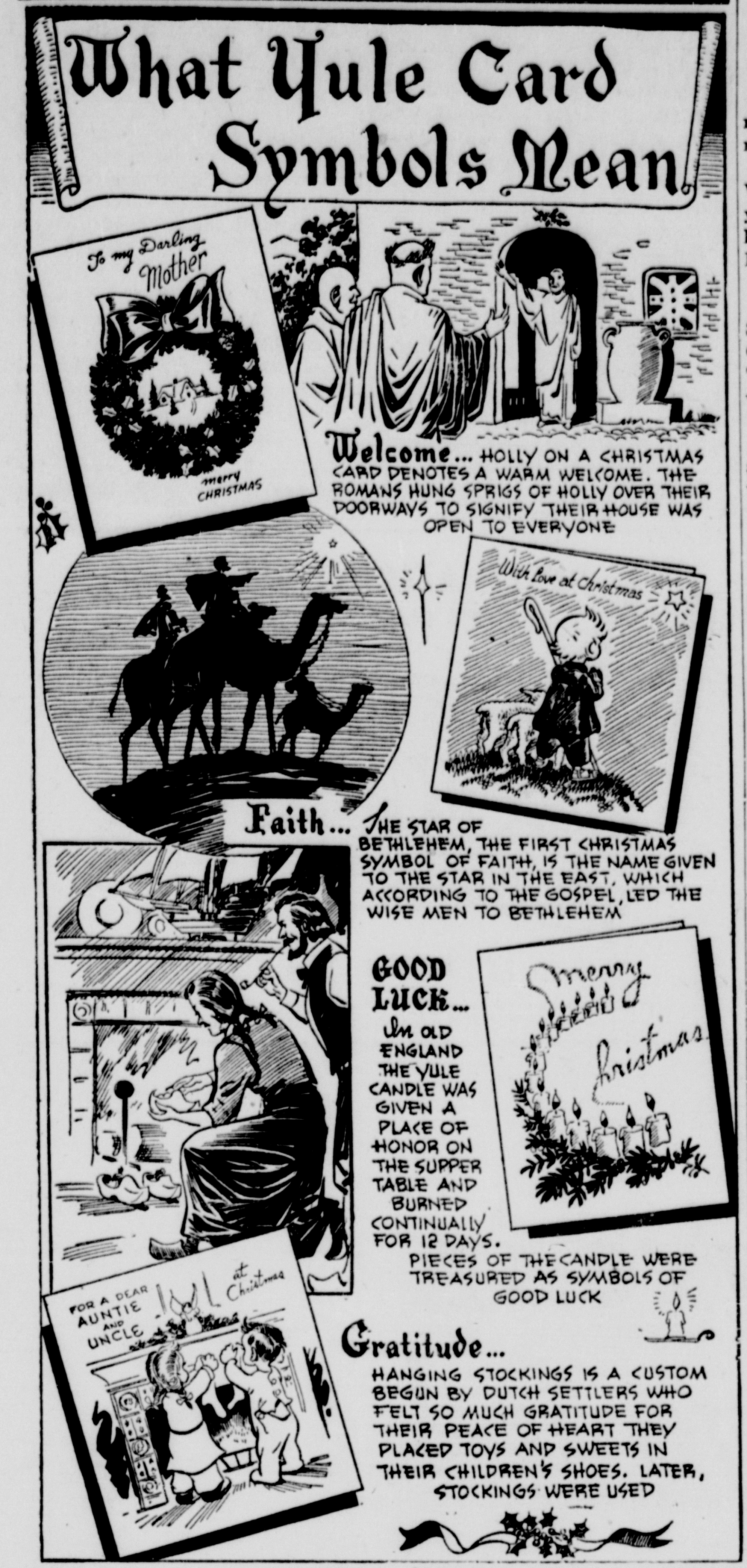

Welcome... HOLLY ON A CHRISTMAS CARD DENOTES A WARM WELCOME. THE ROMANS HUNG SPRIGS OF HOLLY OVER THEIR DOORWAYS TO SIGNIFY THEIR HOUSE WAS OPEN TO EVERYONE

Faith... THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM, THE FIRST CHRISTMAS SYMBOL OF FAITH, IS THE NAME GIVEN TO THE STAR IN THE EAST, WHICH ACCORDING TO THE GOSPEL, LED THE WISE MEN TO BETHLEHEM

GOOD LUCK... IN OLD ENGLAND THE YULE CANDLE WAS GIVEN A PLACE OF HONOR ON THE SUPPER TABLE AND BURNED CONTINUALLY FOR 12 DAYS. PIECES OF THE CANDLE WERE TREASURED AS SYMBOLS OF GOOD LUCK

Gratitude... HANGING STOCKINGS IS A CUSTOM BEGUN BY DUTCH SETTLERS WHO FELT SO MUCH GRATITUDE FOR THEIR PEACE OF HEART THEY PLACED TOYS AND SWEETS IN THEIR CHILDREN'S SHOES. LATER, STOCKINGS WERE USED

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cammer and daughter, Sharon spent the week end in San Antonio with Mr. and Mrs. Junior Muirs.

Amy Schlemer and Al Eyhorn spent Sunday in the home of Mr. Eyhorn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Eyhorn in San Antonio.

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Personal Mention

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John F. Cochran and Cora Mae Steinacher were married by Rev. McClerran in Giddings December 11. The couple are from Cameron and will make their home here.

Charlie Coleman has returned from a business trip to East Texas this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Jackson of College Station spent the week end in Cameron with Mrs. Jackson's mother and sister.

Mrs. F. L. Gregory is a surgery patient in Newton Memorial Hospital and is resting nicely.

Walter Kelm, son of Edwin Kelm of Burlington is among the patients in Newton Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rippenhagen announce the arrival of a baby girl, Jane Starr, born December 11, 1947, at Memorial Hospital in Houston. She weighed seven pounds eight and one half ounces. The mother is the former Dorothy Sue Mitcham. Both mother and baby are doing nicely.

Earl Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Kirk, Jr. is ill and a patient in Newton Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Juanita Thomas from Gause made a business visit to Cameron Wednesday.

Tom McGoldrick is among the patients in Newton Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Jakt Armstrong of Rockdale were visitors in Cameron this week.

Mrs. Annie Abel and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Abel of Sharpe shopped in Cameron recently.

Miss Lillian Atkinson had as guest for the week end, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Atkinson and Mrs. Florence Tidwell and Mrs. Joe Tidwell of Austin.

Fred Shoaf owner of the Shoaf Service Station is ill at his home in Cameron. He hopes to be able to be back at his work next week.

A calculating machine has been developed by a Harvard professor that can solve in one second multi- of her favorite chocolates.

Mrs. George Buffington of Gause visited her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Lunsford here this week.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Milam County, Greeting:

Effie Gresham, Administratrix of the Estate of Daisy Wilson, deceased having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said Daisy Wilson, Deceased, numbered 3726 on the Probate Docket of Milam County, together with an application to be discharged from said Administration.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, That by publication of this Writ one time and that publication shall be not less than ten days before the return day hereof, in a Newspaper printed in the County of Milam you give due notice to all persons in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on Monday the 22nd day of December A. D. 1947, at the Court House of said County, in Cameron, Texas, when said Account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of said Court, at my office in the city of Cameron, Texas this 22nd day of Nov. A. D. 1947.

HOMER NABOURS,
Clerk, County Court Milam County.
By Bessie Dunham, Deputy

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Liberty News

We are happy to report that Mr. Pat Robinson has returned home from the McClosky hospital. He has been ill for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Lon Smith are moving to Lexington soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Davidson and children of Houston spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Mayme Dragoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Burleson of Waco spent the week end with her father, A. J. Gunnels, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliford Morgan and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Robinson.

FOR A CHEERFUL CHRISTMAS

We are happy to offer our best wishes to each of you for the most cheerful Christmas you have ever experienced. It is with reverent appreciation of all the blessings that have been made possible by friendships of long standing, that we extend our best wishes for your happiness on this Christmas day and every day of the coming year.

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New Year's Day often has proved a memorable day in history. Among the events that stand out are:

The era of the Caesars began, 38 B. C.

King Edward III, of England, annihilated the French before Calais, 1349.

Paul Revere was born, 1735.

Betsy Ross, born, 1752.

George Washington unfurled the first Union flag of 13 stripes, 1776.

Ireland was united with Britain in 1801.

Haitian Independence Day, 1804.

General Jackson turned back the British at New Orleans in 1815.

Abraham Lincoln's emancipation proclamation issued, 1863.

Greece gains independence, 1882.

New York City of five boroughs incorporated, 1898.

Commonwealth of Australia united, 1901.

U. S. pure food law put into effect, 1907.

Republic of China founded, 1912.

U.S.S.R. formed, 1923.

United Nations Declaration signed, 1942.

Hirohito disavows divinity, 1946.

New Year
QUOTES

"The object of a new year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul and a new nose; new feet, a new backbone, new ears, and new eyes. . . . Unless a man starts afresh about things, he will certainly do nothing effective. . . . Unless a man be born again, he shall by no means enter into the kingdom of heaven."
—G. K. Chesterton.

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"New leaves, to be sure! Let them turn them that are ashamed of their old ones."
—Edward Payson Powell.

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"Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring, happy bells, across the snow;
The year is going, let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true."
—Alfred Tennyson.

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"We are bound, by every rule of justice and equity, to give the New Year credit for being a good one until he proves himself unworthy the confidence we repose in him."
—Charles Dickens.

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"The good old year is with the past:
Oh, be the new as kind!"
—William Cullen Bryant.

Ancient Custom of Exchanging Gifts

It was once the custom in Britain to extend gifts on New Year's.

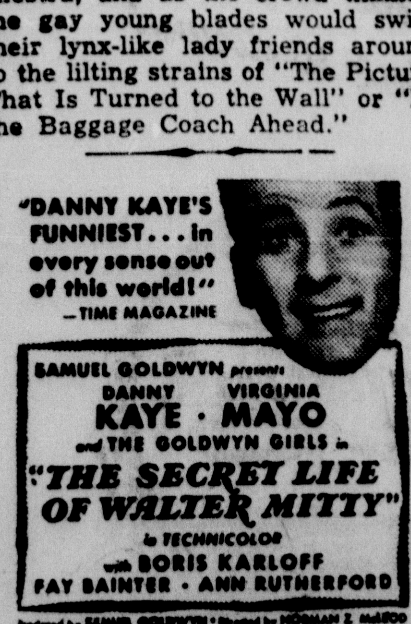
The ancient druids presented branches of the sacred mistletoe, and the Saxons observed the day with gifts and festivities.

The Roman custom of honoring the emperor with gifts was introduced in England during the time of Henry III. Good Queen Bess was said to have obtained most of the jewels and attire of her wardrobe from New Year donors.

Under the gift custom prevailing during the Tudor and Stuart dynasties, ladies received expensive gloves and pins. Sometimes these gifts were wrapped in money, and from this practice we derived the term "pin money."

The young ladies in the receiving line, smiling coyly with every little movement, would present each comer with some little memento of the occasion. Maybe a silken badge, a card with mottoes, a metal souvenir. Pinning these on the lapels, they would then saunter into the front and back parlor to flatter their host's ego.

Wealthier hosts would have an orchestra, and as the crowd thinned the gay young blades would swirl their lynx-like lady friends around to the lilting strains of "The Picture That Is Turned to the Wall" or "In the Baggage Coach Ahead."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Yarrellton News

Rev. M. South and family were week end guests in the H. E. Colburn home. Their little son Gregory was Ill when they returned home Monday.

Mrs. Ray Dyer and son Scotty of Lake Charles, La., are visiting in the home of her sister, Mrs. Hubert Colburn and with her mother, Mrs. Lena Henderson in Cameron.

Mr. and Mrs. Tucker Wilkerson of Houston spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ance Wilkerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Blanset of Goose Creek spent Sunday night with G. W. Blansett.

Jimmye Rae Colburn, who has been ill this past week is improving.

N. E. Colburn is visiting his sister, Mrs. Maggie Flowers in Glen Rose and writes he is feeling better.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Colburn accompanied by Genie and Wallace visited in Glen Rose recently.

Mrs. Jennie Barrett has returned home after a visit with relatives in Lockhart and Corpus. Her sister Deloris and husband returned home with her for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gibbs were visitors in the James Leath home at Maysfield Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Russell and children were Sunday visitors in the G. L. Gallatin home and Patsy returned home with them for the Christmas holidays.

Word has been received from Corpus Christi that Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wilkerson are the parents of a baby boy born Dec. 6 in a Corpus Christi Hospital. Mother and son are doing fine. The new son has been named Kenneth Wayne and weighs 7 pounds The grand parents are Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dobbs and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wilkerson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Richerson of Rosebud visited in the C. E. Russell home recently and the group spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Lock at Sharpe.

REVIVAL MEETING

The Church of Christ at Marlow will begin a series of Gospel meetings, December 20th. Services will be held in the Methodist Church building. Evangelist M. J. Buffington will do the preaching. Services will be held each day at 7:00 p. m. in the evening. You are cordially invited.

HANOVER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe H. Dixon of San Antonio were visitors in hte home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lankford the past week end.

Cade Hensley and sons of Dallas were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gandy Sunday.

Bill Davidson who is employed in Houston spent the week end here with home folks.

Joe Robinson is home from St. Edwards Hospital where he underwent an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hux of the Salem Community have moved into the Jim York home. We are proud to have them back in our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Gandy of Liberty visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lankford Sunday.

Lamar Shafer who is attending college at San Marcos spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shafer.

Miss Thelma Ruth Gandy is directing the Christmas Pageant, "The Birth of Christ", which will be presented, Wednesday night, December 24, at 8:00 p. m. Rev. Pumphrey will deliver a short sermon. A cordial welcome is extended to the public.

Jim Gandy and son, James who are employed at Dallas spent the week end with home folks.

V. A. Kubecka, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Kubecka, Sr. has been critically ill in St. Edwards Hospital, but is much improved and expects to be removed to his home soon.

Truman A. Pembroke transacted business in Waco last week.

Patsy Esslinger Is TSCW Student; Mother Also Student There

DENTON, Dec. 16—Seven per cent of Texas State College for Women girls are second generation students, according to a recent survey. Of the 2200 enrolled, mothers of 153 attended TSCW.

Miss Patsy Eleanor Esslinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Esslinger, 3110 Nitovia, is one of the daughters of ex-students.

Miss Esslinger, sophomore general education major, is a member of Alice Freeman Palmer Club.

Mrs. F. F. Reid will spend the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. John House, Sr.

HUMBLE SERVICE STATION
CORNER THIRD AND FANNIN
EARL N. TATE, Agent
Earl Tate, Humble Agent, is the manager and invites everyone to visit his newly stocked and equipped service station.
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Washing, Lubrication and Polishing
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THE MILAM THEATRE
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They're in *your* hands

Will you save grain to help Europe's hungry children?

SAVE WHEAT
SAVE MEAT
SAVE THE PEACE

If a hungry child was at your gate, you'd feed him. These days the children of Western Europe are almost at our gates. And they and their parents are hungry. Drought, frost and war damage have combined to give them the shortest grain crop in recent history.

History tells us that hungry people are desperate people. And desperate people may threaten the peace of the world, *your peace*, for a dictator's promise of bread.

Wheat for peace. Authorities say we can save more people with grain than in any other way. The aim of America, through the Citizens Food Committee, is to send enough grain to get Europe by until another crop season can help them to help themselves.

Success depends on you. 3 bushels of grain are used on farms for every 1 bushel used on American tables. In order to send our quota of 100 extra million bushels overseas, we appeal to you, the American farmer.

This is what you can do:

Careful culling of flocks and herds. Take this time to improve your livestock. This will cut down on high-priced feed bills. Give you extra money in your pocket now. And at the same time help save the peace.

More efficient feeding. Hay is in good supply, feed it wherever you can. Make maximum use of pastures. Feed as little grain as possible. Market hogs at lighter weights and put less finish on cattle.

Talk it over with your county agent. He is anxious to help. Between you, you can figure out how to save many hungry children . . . and help to save a peaceful world for your own.

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COURT HOUSE NEWS

Marriages

Fred Burrow and Gladine Kirk.

Deeds

Leo Jekel et ux to Louis Denker, Lot No. 5 in block 26 of Tucker's addition to City of Cameron $2,200.

Thelbert Ashcraft et ux to J. W. Brooks et al, undivided 1-6 interest in 92.3 acres land one-half mile of Liberty School House in Milam County $50.

B. T. Thompson to Ollie Wilson, one-half acre of the A. W. Sullivan one-third league $7.00.

M. C. Sutton et al to W. F. Lamb, lot No. 1 in Block No. 16 in town of Thorndale $300.

Edgar Arnold Zander et ux, to Edward H. Miller, 52 1-2 acres of the John Beal grant, $3, 466.67.

Jerry B. Schiller et ux to Edward L. Pavelek et ux, 18 acres in Milam County, $1,160.

Chas. Tomesek et ux to Melvin E. Allison, 42.36 acres of the J. A. De Pena grant, $2,224.75.

T. J. Kirk et ux to Adolph Hartley, 125 acres of the Wm. Moore league $3,000.

J. Sanders to R. C. Gilliland, lot No. 2 of Block No. 7 in town of Davilla, $10 and other valuable considerations.

Roger M. Thomas to Delmo S. Shaw, 50 acres of the Jeanette Bowen league $1,500.

D. J. Blackmon et al to O. T. Thompson, lot No. 2 of the Hudson subdivision, and lot No. 13 of block No. 115 of City of Rockdale, $1,450.

J. Tom Williams et ux to Clyde Franklin, 4 1-2 acres of the D. A. Thompson Survey, $10 and other valuable considerations.

A. A. Tuma et ux to S. D. Tuma, 18 acres of the T. M. Hughes grant, $1 and other valuable considerations.

T. A. Hairston et ux to D. J. Blackmon, subdivision of Block No. 53 of City of Rockdale, $10 and other considerations.

Matthew Ranken Kennedy et al to Pauline Simank, lot No. 4 of Block No. 21 of town of Thorndale $400.

Mrs. Maggie A. Hillin et al to E. R. Willard, 148 1-2 acres of the David Houston and Jas. A. Prewitt leagues, $2,850.

Chas. H. Massey et ux to A. J. D. Laferre, 149 of the Augusta Evard survey $10 and other considerations.

Oil and Gas Leases

L. E. Phillips et ux to H. Lee Pierce, 5 acres of the D. A. Thompson grant $10.

New Automobiles

William F. Backhaus 1947 Chevrolet Aero Sedan.

Jesse Harris 1947 Chevrolet Town Sedan.

Clyde Hensley 1947 Chevrolet Sedan.

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Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Shaw and her mother, Mrs. Jim York spent the week end in Houston.

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Kenneth Blake, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Blake is a patient in Newton Memorial Hospital.

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Mrs. B. A. Slavik of Cameron is a surgery patient in the Newton Memorial Hospital.

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Lester Williams of Milano transacted business in Cameron Thursday.

John Matula, Back On Yoemen Team Will See Game From Ambulance

(From the Daily)

John Matula, half back on the Yoemen team, will see the regional football game between Cameron and Mexia to-night from an ambulance it was disclosed this morning by Bill Burns, of the Marek-Burns funeral home.

Mr. Burns will drive the ambulance to Temple to take Matula to the game and Dr. Clifford Swift, surgeon who operated on John for appendicitis, will attend the game and will also be near the patient in case he needs attention although he is doing well and can walk around a bit.

For the second time in a regional a Yoemen will see the game from an ambulance. Last year Billy Hauk, half back who sustained a broken leg in the Fredericksburg game, was taken to Temple for the Regional between Cameron and Mart.

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John Young and wife formerly of Sharpe and now living in Houston are spending the week' end with friends and relatives in Cameron.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gill DeWitt of Houston visited Mrs. Howard Baskin recently.

Chas. Hicks and Frank Mitchell made a business trip to Bastrop recently.

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T. D. Roberts of Emporia, Kansas is visiting his brother-in-law and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Triggs and son A. J. of Dallas spent the week end with relatives and friends here.

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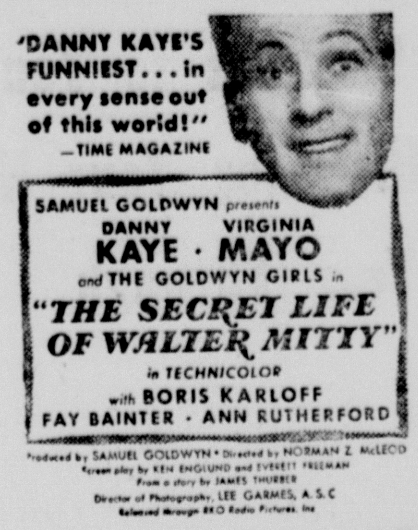
Insert in the wast of contrasting materials also adds length to last year's clothes.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SUNDAY AND MONDAY
December 28 and 29

IT STARTED WITH A KISS — AND ENDED WITH A KILLING!
M-G-M's "THE ARNELO AFFAIR"
(and what an affair it was!)
JOHN HODIAK · GEORGE MURPHY
FRANCES GIFFORD
DEAN STOCKWELL · EVE ARDEN
Screen Play by Arch Oboler · Directed by ARCH OBOLER · Produced by JERRY BRESLER

CAMERON THEATRE
Tuesday and Wednesday
December 23 and 24

UNIVERSAL-INTERNATIONAL presents
JOAN FONTAINE
PATRIC KNOWLES
HERBERT MARSHALL
RICHARD NEY
in SAM WOOD'S PRODUCTION OF
"IVY"
Universal International
with
SIR CEDRIC HARDWICKE · LUCILE WATSON
ROSALIND IVAN · SARA ALLGOOD

Based on the novel "The Story of Ivy"
by Marie Belloc Lowndes
Directed by SAM WOOD
Produced by WILLIAM CAMERON MENZIES
A UNIVERSAL-INTERNATIONAL PICTURE

CAMERON THEATRE
Tuesday and Wednesday

Gene AUTRY
COLORADO SUNSET
A RE-RELEASE
Smiley BURNETTE

SUNDAY AND MONDAY
MILAM THEATRE
December 21 and 22

DESTINATION... DANGER!
with a CARGO OF THRILLS AND ADVENTURE!
ROBERT LOWERY · ANN SAVAGE in
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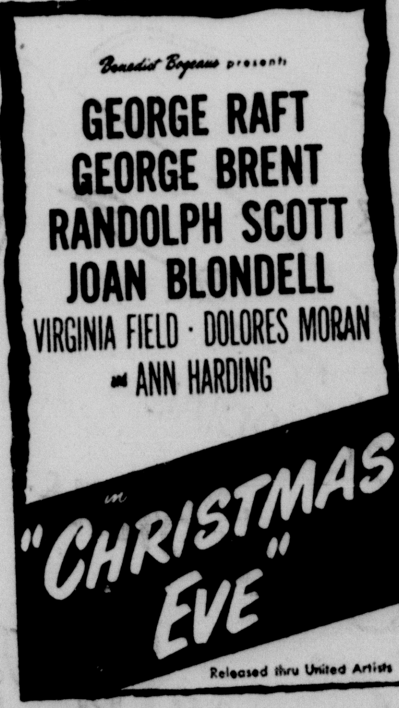
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in "CHRISTMAS EVE"
Released thru United Artists

THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
December 25 and 26

RED STALLION
Eagle-Lion Films presents
ROBERT PAIGE · NOREEN NASH · TED DONALDSON
in "RED STALLION"
with JANE DARWELL · GUY KIBBEE
BRYAN FOY in charge of production
FILMED IN ALL THE GLORIOUS COLORS OF THE WEST!

THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18 and 19

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GEORGE RAFT
GEORGE BRENT
RANDOLPH SCOTT
JOAN BLONDELL
VIRGINIA FIELD · DOLORES MORAN
and ANN HARDING
Released thru United Artists
'Tis the night before CHRISTMAS and everything is jumping all over our house!
"Christmas Eve"

THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25 and 26

UNIVERSAL-INTERNATIONAL presents
FRED MacMURRAY
AVA GARDNER
Singapore
with
ROLAND CULVER · RICHARD HAYDN · THOMAS GOMEZ · SPRING BYINGTON
A UNIVERSAL-INTERNATIONAL PICTURE

THE CAMERON THEATRE
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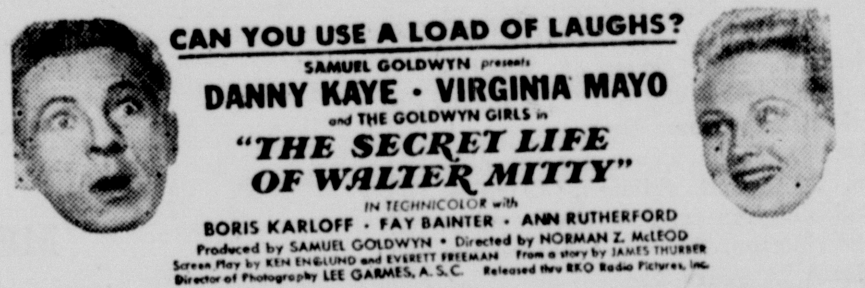
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THE CAMERON THEATRE
SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 28 and 29

THUNDER IN THE VALLEY
TECHNICOLOR
Starring LON McCALLISTER · EDMUND GWENN · PEGGY ANN GARNER
with REGINALD OWEN Directed by ROBERT BASSLER Produced by LOUIS KING
20th Century-Fox
Based on the Novel, "Bob, Son of Battle" by Alfred Ollivant

THE CAMERON THEATRE
THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, JANUARY1 and 2

UNIVERSAL INTERNATIONAL presents
Pity the men in her life!
JOAN FONTAINE
PATRIC KNOWLES
HERBERT MARSHALL
RICHARD NEY
in SAM WOOD'S PRODUCTION OF "IVY"
Universal International
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THE CAMERON THEATRE
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6 and 7

DESTINATION... DANGER!
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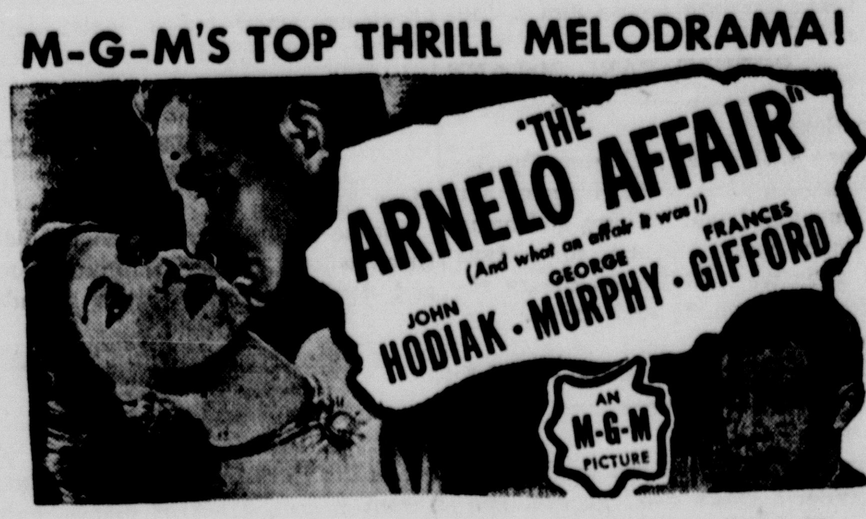
ROBERT LOWERY · ANN SAVAGE
JUNGLE FLIGHT
BART McLANE · DOUGLAS FOWLEY · DOUGLAS BLACKLEY · CURT BOIS · DUNCAN RENALDO
PETER STEWART

THE MILAM THEATRE
SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 28 and 29

Warner Bros
RONALD REAGAN
SHIRLEY TEMPLE
That Hagen Girl
RORY CALHOUN · LOIS MAXWELL
PENNY EDWARDS · HARRY DAVENPORT
PETER GODFREY
Screen Play by Charles Hoffman · From a Novel by Edith Roberts · Music by Franz Waxman

THE CAMERON THEATRE
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30 and 31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THE CAMERON THEATRE
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, RECEMBER 23 and 24

CameronTheatre

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20
"ON THE OLD SPANISH TRAIL"
Roy Rogers

—C—

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 21 and 22
"SINGAPORE"
Fred MacMurray and Ava Gardner

—C—

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER, 23 and 24
"THE ARNELO AFFAIR"
John Hodiak and George Murray

—C—

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25 and 26
"CHRISTMAS EVE"
George Raft and George Brent

—C—

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27
"THE SON OF RUSTY"
Ted Donaldson and Tom Powers

Milam Theatre

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19 and 20
"WILD COUNTRY"
Eddie Dean

—M—

SUNDAY AND MONDAY, DECEMBER 21 and 22
"COLORADO SUNSET"
Gene Autry

—M—

TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER, 23 and 24
"VARIETY GIRL"
Mary Hatcher and DeForest Kelly

—M—

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25
"SEVEN WERE SAVED"
Richard Denning and Catherine Craig

—M—

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26 and 27
"PRAIRIE RAIDERS"
Charles Starrett

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 2 years old. I am too small to write so my mother is writing for me. I want a wagon I can ride in. Some cars and a fire truck, and lots of candy, apples and oranges. I would like to have a little Bible to take to Sunday school and some building blocks and a stick horse. I love you.

ROBERT EARL McLANE

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a baton, Dy-Dee drinking wetting doll, bicycle and anything you have. Be sure and bring my little cousin Lynne some toys for a four week old baby. Please remember my mommy and daddy.

Love,

PAT MATULA

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Dear Santa:

I am 8 years old. I am in the second grade. I make good grades, and I help my mother at home. So will you please bring me a football suit, a Mickey mouse weather forecaster, some building logs, a book satchel, a warm helmet, some rubbers and lots of Fireworks. Remember Robert and Kathryn. They fight all the time, but they are too small to know better. Mamma is going to have some cake and coffee on the table for you. I hope you like it. I will be looking for you. Bring mama and daddy something too. I love you.

ROY JOE McLANE

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Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 1 year old and I'd really like for you to bring me a doll that will sleep and a rocking chair so I can rock her to sleep. I'd like a pair of house shoes, a drum and some pull toys. I love you.

KATHRYN McLANE

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me these things for Christmas. Football, a pair of skates and a set of puzzles. Please Santa, my little brother wants a big red wagon and a fuzzy bear and a big red rubber ball. Bring us both some fruit, candy and nuts. Don't forget the other little children.

Your best Pals,

LOUIE GERICK, Jr.
PAUL LEE GERICK

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Dear Santa:

I am a little boy. I want you to bring me a nice truck, bicycle, cowboy boots and some apples and candy. Thank you Santa.

Your friend,

EDWARD REISNER

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Dear Santa:

I am a little girl, I want you to bring me a nice doll, a set of dishes, a nice dress and some apples and candy. Thank you Santa.

Your friend,

MARTHA REISNER

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Dear Santa:

I want a wagon and a football and for my brother James a little baby bear and a Roly Poly Circus Clown.

EDDIE JOE PAVELEK

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a little bicycle. I have been good and picked a lot of cotton.

Love,

LELAND BAKER

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a scooter with three wheels, some building blocks and don't forget my little friends.

Your friend,

ARVELL JUNGMANN

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Dear Santa:

I am a little girl eight years old and in the third grade. For Christmas I want a doll, a set of dishes, some fruit and candy. I hope all the other little boys and girls get something for Christmas, too.

Your friend,

JEANNE SOLOMON

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Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old and in the first grade. Please bring me some paper dolls, a story book. Some candy and fruit. Don't forget my little sister.

MARY JOE DITTO

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Dear Santa:

I am a little boy five years old and in the first grade. Please bring me a toy fiddle, a gun, a car and some fruit, nuts and candy. I also want some chewing gum because I like to chew it.

Your friend,

DENSON FORD

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Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 4 years old. I do not go to school yet, but I help my mother and daddy at home. I want you to bring me some fruit, nuts and candy, and bring my little brother some too. And I have a little sister, Margaret, bring her a nipple bottle with milk in it cause that is what she likes best. She is only 3 months old.

With love,

LEROY VANSA

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Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 11 years old. I am in the sixth grade. Please bring me a pocket knife, a pair of gloves, a book satchel, a bottle of hair oil, some fireworks and some fruit, nuts and candy. I wish all the little boys and girls a happy Christmas.

BILLY FLOYD DODSON

Communtiy Choir To Present Christmas Cantata December 21

The Community Choir of Cameron wil present it's Christmas Cantata, "The Song of the Holy Night", by Roger C. Wilson, published by Lorenz Publishing Co. of Dayton, Ohio, on Sunday, December 21, 1947, at five o'clcok in the afternoon, at the First Methodist Church.

The Cantata will be presented under the direction of Misses Lelia Lee Batte and Catherine Monroe, talented young musician at the organ.

This will be the second of such affairs which has been held at the First Methodist Church, the first being the Easter program which was also regarded as a community affair.

The personnel is composed of members from the Methodist, Baptist, Christian and Presbyterian Choirs. Soloists include: Mrs. D. L. Lindsey, Mrs. C. F. Summy, Miss Shirley Horstmann, Mrs. Alva Sanders, Mrs. W. G. Harsha, W. A. Bonds, F. E. Jackson, Judge M. G. Cox and Rev. Robert Kalkbrenner.

The program will be broadcast over KTEM, sponsored by Mayor and Mrs. A. W. McCullin.

J. M. Keener Buried In Welston, Oklahoma

J. M. Keener, pioneer Oklahoman, died at his home in Welston, Oklahoma on Friday, December 12.

Mr. Keener was the father of Mrs. Bonnie Donovan of Cameron, owner of the Sepcialty Shop. Mrs. Donovan has returned to Cameron from Welston where she attended the funeral of her father.

Friends of Mrs. Donovan will regret to hear of the death of her father, J. M. Keener of Welston, Oklahoma, who had been in declining health for some time.

Among his survivors are ten children, 39 grand children, 49 great grand children and 2 great great grand children. His wife preceded him in death 15 years ago.

Funeral services were held on Monday, December 15, 1947, with interment near Welston.

Mrs. Roy Terry Is Critically Ill In Marlin Hospital

Mrs. Roy Terry of Minerva is in a Marlin Hospital and critically ill. She was taken to Marlin last week for the operation and her condition has been critical. Mr. Terry was in Cameron Tuesday on his way back to Marlin to be near his wife.

Many friends in Cameron and in the home community will be distressed to learn of Mrs. Terry's condition. Mr. Terry said that if possible he hoped to bring her home soon.

The family lives in the historic old Terry home near Minerva. Roy Terry is a veteran of World War II. They have two sons, Julian Terry of Cameron and James Terry now in Port Sulphur, Texas.

30 DEGREES RECORDED HERE EARLY TUESDAY

The coldest weather of the year was recorded here Tuesday, according to L. W. Smith, government observer.

Mr. Smith said the temperature was down to 30 or two degrees below freezing. Some ice was seen.

The temperature was due to rise some during the day but it will be cold again Tuesday night.

The sun was shining in all parts of the state Tuesday with clearing skies on the coast. In the northern Oklahoma and Texas Panhandle the temperature low as 20 degrees.

The weather chart indicated that clear skies would prevail over the remainder of the week. There was some indication that Christmas weather might be pleasant.

Magic Show Tickets On Sale At Chamber Of Commerce Here

Tickets for the Magic Show being sponsored by the Young People's Christian Fellowship on Friday night, December 19 at 7:30 at the High School Auditorium are now on sale at the Chamber of Commerce, the Cameron Enterprise, and the school, or may be obtained from the young people themselves.

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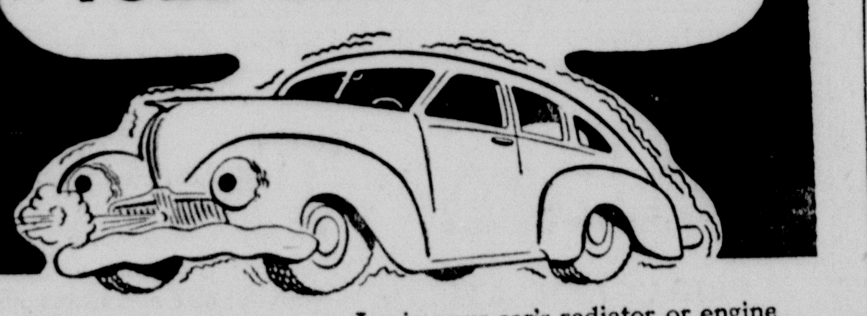

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Broker Shuns Plea; Plunges to Death

Jokes With Charwoman While Preparing for Leap.

CHICAGO.—A scrubwoman's plea to a wealthy insurance broker as he hung from a Loop building window failed to prevent his suicide plunge. The broker, George Grivich, 55, laughed and released his hold on the sill. He fell 11 floors to a skylight below.

The scrubwoman, Mrs. Julia Andruska, said she first saw the man while she was scrubbing the 12th floor corridor of the Insurance Exchange building. Grivich had offices on the third floor.

"He asked me if my work wasn't pretty hard," she told police. "I told him it wasn't so bad when it wasn't so hot."

The broker, she said, joked with her as he paced slowly back and forth before a window. Then he climbed up on the sill.

"Look out, you'll fall," the scrubwoman warned.

Grivich stepped back into the corridor but a few moments later was on the sill again. This time he lowered himself out the window, his hands gripping the sill.

Mrs. Andruska told police she cried, "Don't do that," and ran toward the window.

"He raised himself up a little and looked right at me," she said. "Then he laughed and let go."

In the man's pockets police found farewell notes and letters explaining business difficulties. One indicated he had misstated his income while a partner in the Morton Poster Fabric Products in 1944.

Another letter, from a lawyer, told Grivich the matter had been corrected and for him not to worry.

An internal revenue report showed he made $38,811.09 that year.

Other notes were addressed to his sisters, Berdie and Kit, and a brother, John.

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Diver Loses Life Setting Record for Depth Reached

TOULON, FRANCE. — Maurice Fargeus, a diver, set a new world record by descending 393.6 feet in the Mediterranean off Cape Cepet, but he lost his life.

Colleagues pulled Fargeus out unconscious after he had succeeded in breaking the previous mark of 295.2 feet attained by seven divers here last June.

Fargeus went over the side dressed only in bathing trunks and wearing a face mask connected with an oxygen bottle on his back. His position was indicated by prearranged tug signals.

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Armstrong County, South Dakota, has the smallest population of any county in the country—the last census shows only 42 persons living there.

Dynamite Explosion by Five Youths Jolts Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES.—Five youths set of 50 pounds of dynamite in San Fernando valley, causing an explosion that was felt in Los Angeles.

Police in Los Angeles and Beverly Hills said startled men and women telephoned them to complain that they had been "knocked out of bed" by the blast.

The explosion was traced to five youths, three 19-year-olds, one 20 and one 17, who climaxed a night of fun by driving out to a place near Coldwater canyon, burying a wood box filled with dynamite and igniting it. The five boys were booked for blasting without a permit.

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Any native of the Fiji Islands is obligated by custom to hand over any object in his possession which a neighbor or a friend may desire.

Woman Found In Furnace After Attack by Robbers

CRESTON, IOWA. — A housewife of Creston was robbed of $300 by two men who tortured her and then placed her, bound and gagged, inside an unlighted furnace where she was left unconscious.

The woman, Mrs. Fred Welcher, 56 years old, was in a hospital recovering from shock and minor injuries.

William M. Hiatt, police chief, said the two men came to the Welcher residence between 9 o'clock and midnight. Mrs. Welcher was alone.

"I told them I didn't have any money," Hiatt quoted her as saying. "Then one of them kicked me hard in the back and that's the last I remember."

Mrs. Welcher's son, Kenneth, called the police when he returned home shortly after midnight and found his mother missing.

The policemen opened the door of the furnace and found her inside. She had been shoved in feet first with her back to the furnace door.

The men had made no attempt to kindle a fire in the furnace, he said.

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Sun spots reach a size as much as 28 times that of the earth's surface.

The English poet, William Wordsworth, so delighted in daily walks that it has been estimated that, had he walked a sraight line, it would have aken him around the world seven times.

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The United States, by far the "smokingest" nation in the world, consumed 351,000,000,000 cigarettes last year, 61.3 per cent more than were smoked annually when the war broke out.

A 'portable eye" for the blind has been invented which flashes light on objects in a walker's path, the reflected light beam activates a lapel loud speaker and by the different tones the user learns to recognize the nature of the objects.

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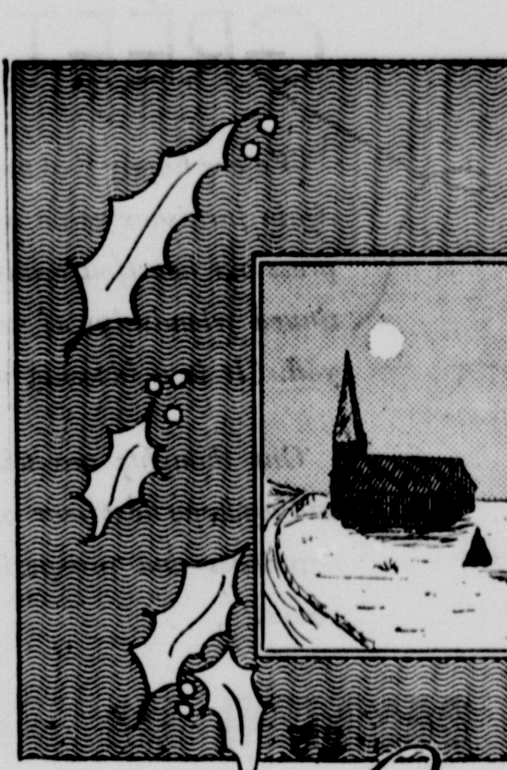


YULETIDE GREETINGS

LEST WE FORGET

Merry Christmas Happy New Year

Let us be thankful for Christmas and the things for which it stands. Let us be thankful for fine associations, loyal friends . . . let us give thanks for a high standard of living that makes it possible for us to get the fullest enjoyment out of life.

That part of Christmas so frequently minimized is its religious significance. This is the birthday of Him who taught Faith, Hope and Charity.

Let us not forget to find time to be thankful, to sing praises to Him for the blessings received. As we celebrate Christmas day with rejoicing, let us celebrate it with a deep thankfulness in our hearts and a prayer that we may enjoy this significant occasion for many, many more years to come.

NEWTON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Cache of Gold Hunted in Reich

U. S. Gets Tip on Existence Of Vast Treasure Hidden By Ribbentrop.

NUERNBERG, GERMANY. — A treasure hunt in search of millions of dollars in gold, perhaps as much as 50 million dollars, they believe was cached by Joachim Ribbentrop, Hitler's foreign minister, has been embarked upon by the American war crimes prosecution.

They say the treasure probably was buried in churches, on farms, perhaps still tucked away in forgotten corners of former German embassies abroad.

Existence of the funds was tipped off here by former henchmen of Ribbentrop in the Nazi foreign ministry. In guarded hints, they disclosed it during interrogations by Dr. Robert M. W. Kempner, who prepared the prosecution of the German ministers under Hitler.

Ribbentrop Hanged.

Ribbentrop was hanged here as a war criminal October 16, 1946, before the prosecutors got on the trail of the hidden gold. American agents had done such a magnificent job of finding loot, Kempner said, that it never occurred to anyone to look behind the foreign office files.

Ribbentrop had four funds — a general budget, a "secret" fund of about four million dollars, a war emergency fund of unlimited amounts and a "super-secret" personal allotment which held at one time at least 45 million dollars, according to Kempner.

Starting in 1936, Kempner said, Ribbentrop began to ship gold in small bars to various embassies "in the event that war should come."

Whether he wanted this as a personal "nest egg" is something that remained locked in the minister's mind.

Just Plain Loot.

In 1938, he intensified the shipment campaign after he got control of the ministry itself by replacing Konstantin von Neurath. The first shipment was valued at $100,000, and it was the smallest of all.

So much was sent to the various embassies that German ministers abroad objected to such heavy responsibility, the files show.

Ribbentrop got some of the gold from Goering's four year plan setup. The major source, however, amounted to plain loot.

When a nation was overrun, Kempner said, Ribbentrop's men reached the captured national banks before Finance Minister Hjalmar Schacht's bankers.

In the final days of the Reich, Ribbentrop shipped truckloads of gold to southern Germany for hiding, Kempner said, and some of his trusted female secretaries accompanied the convoys. At the same time, Ribbentrop paid many civil servants salaries as much as several years in advance just to get rid of the surplus. In China, the Nazi embassy diverted much gold to what they called "needy Germans."

Perplexed Cops Discover For Whom Bridge Tolls

PHILADELPHIA. — A Delaware river bridge policeman figures he's seen everything now.

A solemn-looking, slow-moving hearse entered the Philadelphia side of the bridge. The policeman saw a pair of feet sticking out the back door.

He phoned the Camden side to "stop that hearse."

At the toll gate, Sgt. Joseph McWilliams told the driver he was losing his cargo.

"Oh, no," said the driver, "they're my friends."

Sure enough, there were three young men scattered on the floor of the hearse, one with his feet sticking out.

The boys — University of Pennsylvania students — explained they had raised $300 and bought the hearse. They were out for a joy ride.

McWilliams let them go, slowly shaking his head.

Exposure Kills Sleeper in Forest; Found by Job Seeker

MILTON, PA. — Mrs. Bessie Gilles Sincox, 23, was found dead in a woods where she and her husband had been living without shelter, State Policeman Leo R. Armbruster reported.

Dr. Sidney Calloway, Northumberland county coroner, said Mrs. Sincox apparently died after a heart attack brought on by malnutrition and exposure.

Armbruster said the woman's body was discovered by her husband, Henry, when he returned from a job hunt. The couple had been sleeping in the wooded section with only a few blankets for protection, Armbruster said.

Derrick Thief Gets Shock When Judge Hears His Story

PITTSBURGH, PA. — Emmitt Thompson, 27, arraigned here on a charge of stealing a 30-foot steel derrick, explained he had a lot of trouble dismantling the apparatus piece by piece before selling the parts to a junkman.

Judge Thomas M. Marshall listened to Thompson's hard-work story, then ordered him released after he has paid the costs of prosecution plus $500—the estimated cost of the derrick.

Santa Claus
LEGEND

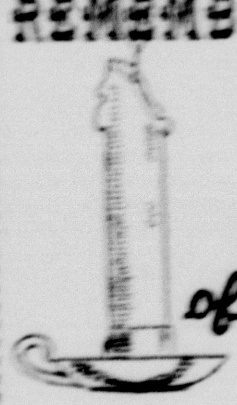
Santa Claus is the American version of St. Nicholas, the bearded Saint of Europe who, on Christmas Eve, carried a basket of gifts for good children, and a bunch of birch rods for the naughty ones.

St. Nicholas was transformed into Santa Claus by the Dutch settlers in New Amsterdam, and he became the fat, jolly, rosy-cheeked old fellow he is today.

INSULTED

A radio technician says he has picked up a rasping sound emanating from outer space. If it should be found that one of our sister planets is giving us the bird, it shouldn't be surprising.—Minneapolis Star.

FOR WARM REMEMBRANCE



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Our thoughts are with you, friends, and we hope next year will be one of full happiness and prosperity for you and yours.

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We know you are busy at this, the Happiest Season of the year, but we just want to drop in a minute or two and say, "MERRY CHRISTMAS!"

May you enjoy the most thrilling Christmas of them all, and may its cheery spirit remain with you all through the New Year.

This message comes with genuine appreciation for all the nice things you have done for us in the past and with the hope that we may continue to be in your favor in the future.

Richter's Transfer

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GREETINGS

There comes a time of the year when all the problems and unpleasant happenings fade into nothingness, when we find it easy to forget the disappointments of the past. Christmas overshadows these unhappy experiences and we see before us all the fine things of life, the courtesies and favors of loyal friends.

And so, as you welcome the Christmas season, please remember that we are truly grateful for your fine consideration.

The Merriest of All Christmases to You!

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Myth of Mistletoe

Surrounded by myth by primitive peoples, the mistletoe was taken over by Christians who also wove fanciful legends around it.

In ancient mythology, the mistletoe was the instrument of evil. The Druids of Britain believed the plant possessed healing powers. Other primitive people thought that mistletoe found growing on oaks had magical powers.

Taken over into Christian tradition, the mistletoe was dedicated to the Christ Child. Adopted as symbolical of the healing power of our Lord, it was used to adorn the altars at Christmas. Monks of the monasteries called it the "wood of the cross" and attributed supernatural powers to it. The white berries were said to reflect the radiance caught from the guiding star when the Wise Men were led to the manger.

Holly Now Grown In Many Parts of Land

Grown on the hillsides of the coastal states from Maine to Texas and up the Mississippi valley to Missouri, holly is a pretty but slow-growing plant.

Leaves are evergreen, the margins of which are provided with rather widely separated spines. Weak and close-grained, the wood is exceptionally white, making it highly desirable in the manufacture of woodenware, cabinets and interior finishing.

As a result of scientific discoveries holly cuttings will take root quickly when they are treated with hormonelike substances. Christmas holly has been converted into potted plants. These plants can be set out as a permanent ornament for landscapes.

Growth regulating substances—indole butyric acid and naphthalene acetamide—are on the market in liquid or powdered form under various trade names. The chemicals are applied to plantings of fresh cuttings kept moist, cool and well shaded.

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At the end of 1946, Nevada was the only state completely free of debt.

CHRISTMAS ODDITIES

Norwegian farmers give their cattle tubs of home-brewed ale on Christmas Eve.

At midnight of Christmas Eve people in Madrid eat 12 grapes for good luck in the coming year.

There are 175 different kinds of holly.

Christmas has been celebrated on more than 100 different days in various parts of the world.

Christopher Columbus and his men landed on the coast of Cuba on December 25, 1492, naming the point Navidad.

George Washington crossed the Delaware and made a successful attack on the Hessian troops at Trenton, N. J., on Christmas Day, 1776.

Oliver Cromwell and his Puritan followers abolished Christmas Day in England, banning all feasting and fun. The ban lasted for seven years and was lifted when Charles II became king.

The needy are considered in Hungary at Christmastime, a levy being assessed against richer citizens so the poor may have sufficient to eat and drink.

Bauxite Ore Is Utilized As Source of Aluminum

Aluminum weighs 167 pounds per cubic foot, about 37 per cent of the weight of iron or steel. It can be alloyed with other metals, gaining many desirable properties. Important physical characteristics are the relatively high strength of its alloys in proportion to weight, resistance to corrosion and chemical action, and high electrical and heat conductivity. Commercial types contain from 94 per cent to 99.5 per cent aluminum.

The source most relied upon for aluminum is the ore, bauxite, ranging from 25 per cent to 30 per cent aluminum. Successive steps in production are the mining of bauxite, extraction of alumina therefrom and reduction of alumina to aluminum. Somewhat more than eight tons of raw material in all are required to produce one ton of aluminum.

Prior to World War I, the United States imported most of its bauxite, chiefly from Dutch Guiana. Imports enter chiefly via Mobile and New Orleans.

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More than a half million people in Europe, it is estimated, were put to death between the 15th and 18th centuries as witches.

YULETIDE GREETINGS

and All Good Wishes for the New Year

A more fitting opportunity to express our appreciation for your consideration could not be found than at Christmas-time. ● The Holiday Season, with its spirit of good cheer and friendliness, brings to mind the splendid associations that have been ours during the past year. ● We gratefully acknowledge your consideration and favors. ● The confidence shown is our incentive to even greater service during the years to come. ● It leads us to keep thoughtfully in mind your needs and desires so that we may efficiently fulfill them. ● The old year holds scores upon scores of cherished memories—new acquaintances made—the closer binding of old ties of friendships and many happy relationships. ● That is why, as the old year draws to a close amid the good fellowship of Christmas time, we consider it an honor to extend compliments of the season to our good friends of this area. ● The sincere wish of every member of this organization is that we may continue to serve you to your satisfaction in the years to come. ● We wish for you the Merriest Christmas you have ever known and a year full of happiness, health and prosperity, with the fulfillment of your every ambition and plan and vision. May we again say to each of our good friends

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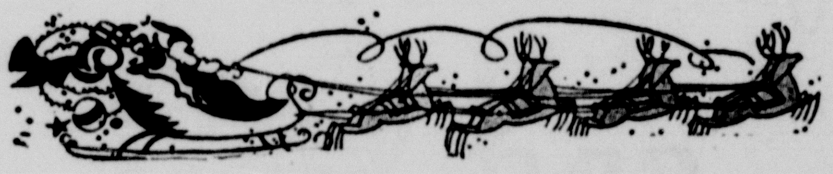
God grant that we all may live and thrive together in peace and harmony on this day and always. We wish you a Joyful Christmas and may choisest blessings be yours forever.



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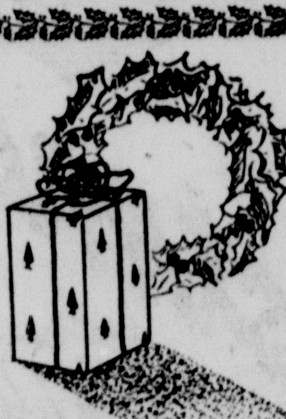

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Love at 60 Puts Swiss on Trial For War Crimes

Business Leader Is the First Non-German to Face Allied Court.

NUERNBERG, GERMANY. — Love at 60 has put Paul Haefliger in the prisoner's dock charged with high war crimes that could cost him his life.

Tall, bent and nervously excited, Haefliger looks like what he was—a high grade, top-flight executive. He is one of the 24 men charged with directing the fabulous I. G. Farbenindustrie, heart and brains of Hitler's industrial power.

He has another distinction—he is the first non-German to be a defendant here.

That point may be debatable because Haefliger has a dual citizenship. He is Swiss by birth and the Swiss government never cancelled his citizenship. But that gets into the story of Haefliger and love at 60.

His record goes about like this: with his native Swiss talent, command of four languages and high ambition, Haefliger became a high paid Farben man while still in his 20s. By 1934, he was complaining that his income of 91,000 marks ($30,000) a year was too low.

From the Swiss side of the border, he handled Farben's huge magnesium interests. Nothing wrong with that, so far.

In 1934, when he was a full-blown expert, he became Swiss consul at Frankfort, serving without pay, but retaining his connection with I. G. Farben. He held this post four years, until 1938, and then plunged into the greatly expanded Farben work as the war approached.

In 1941, Germany was top dog. Haefliger applied for and obtained German citizenship, surrendering his Swiss passport.

Haefliger rode with the Farben train until the end could be seen early in 1945. But then he fell in love and married—for a third time.

Arrested by U. S.

Germany collapsed. Here was Haefliger, still a Swiss citizen, but also a German citizen by choice.

He could not go to Switzerland, a safe haven, unless he abandoned his new German wife. He refused to do that.

In 1946 he ran into the same German official who had granted him his German citizenship in 1941. Haefliger gave it back to him, didn't want any part of it. That seemed to solve his personal problem but it did not open the Swiss border to his wife.

Then he was arrested by U. S. war crimes prosecutors. He engaged a Swiss attorney to defend him.

But his fortune is frozen in Switzerland and the attorney said he would have to ask the Swiss government to make funds available for the defense.

This puts the Swiss on a spot: If they unfreeze for Haefliger, a man thrice decorated by Hitler, what happens to all the other frozen accounts of known Nazis?

The Swiss consul in Frankfort said his government hasn't any interest in Haefliger, at least officially. As far as it is concerned, he is on his own defending himself as a Ger-

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Italy has given over more earth to the cultivation of grapes than any other country in the world.

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Statistically speaking, the expectancy of life is one year longer on the Pacific Coast of this country than on the Atlantic.

Dried-Fruit Industry Limited to Seven Crops

The dried-fruit industry is largely confined to processing of seven crops—apricots, dates, figs, peaches, pears, prunes and raisins. Manufacture of other dried or evaporated fruits is for the most part a means of disposal of lower grades.

Drying of fruits has been most highly developed in California, because of its high fruit production and favorable climate. California produces practically all raisins, dried apricots, dates, figs, peaches and pears, much the larger proportion of all dried prunes and ranks first in dried apples. Apples and some prunes are dried in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Small quantities of various dried fruits are produced in Illinois, New York, Pennsylvania, Texas and Virginia. Sun-drying of fruits is practically confined to California.

Prunes and raisins together constitute about four-fifths of all dried fruit produced. Figs and dates have increased, while peaches and apples have declined relatively. Prewar imports averaged 29,000 tons annually, of which the great bulk was dates, with some figs and currants.

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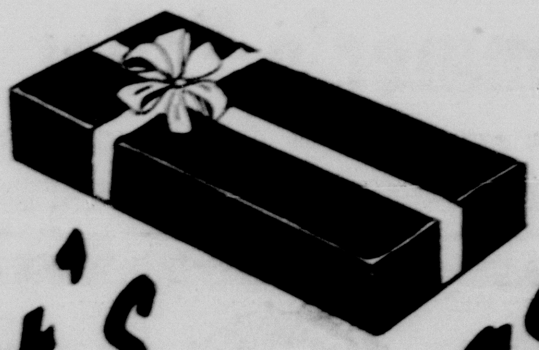

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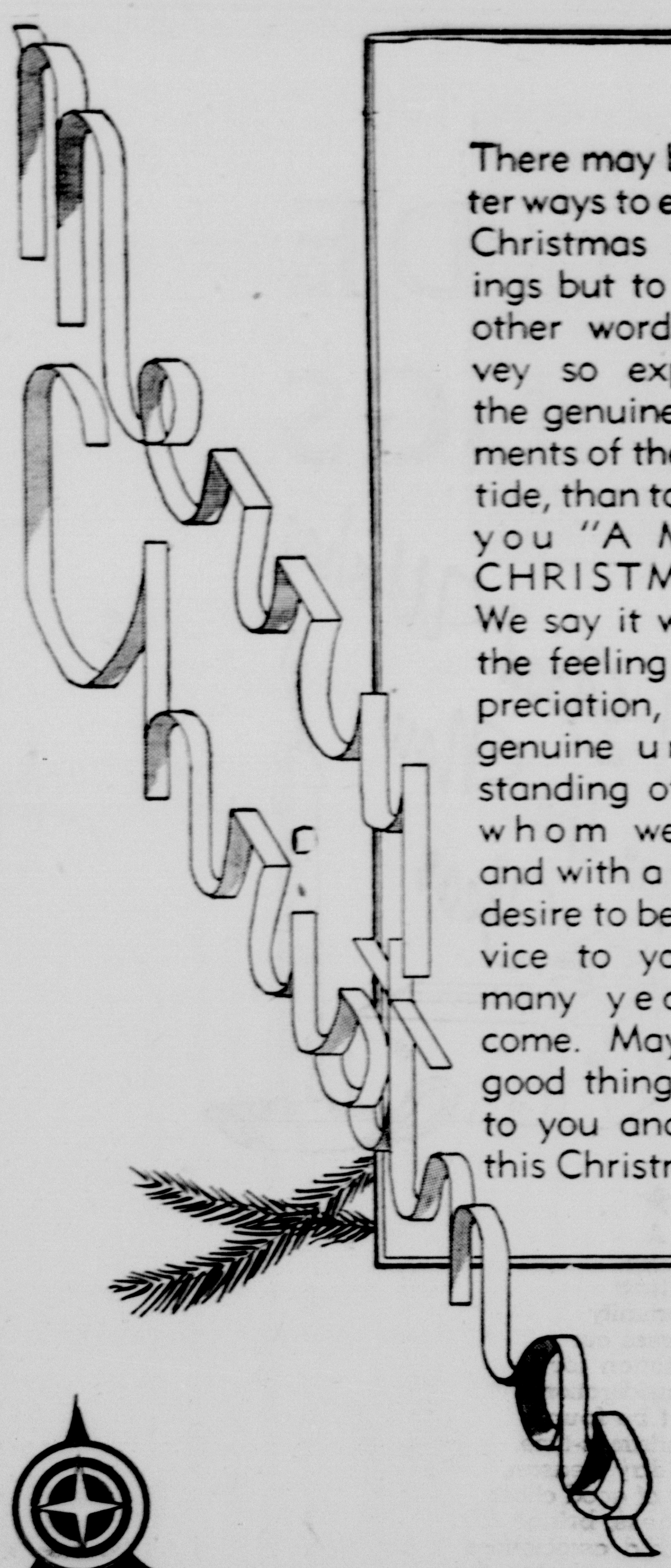

There may be better ways to express Christmas greetings but to us, no other words convey so explicitly the genuine sentiments of the Yuletide, than to say to you "A MERRY CHRISTMAS!" We say it with all the feeling of appreciation, with a genuine understanding of those whom we serve and with a sincere desire to be of service to you for many years to come. May many good things come to you and yours this Christmas.

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Explosion In School Desk Shatters Hand of Student

YAKIMA, WASH. — Joan Brand, 9, student at McKinley grade school, reached into a desk during a music lesson at the school and an explosion shattered the class routine.

Miss Ruth Ecklund, school nurse, took the girl to St. Elizabeth hospital, where an amputation removed the tattered remnants of the child's right hand. The nurse said the explosion was caused by a dynamite cap which Joan had found in the street on her way to school.

Gems Worth $57,872 Stolen From Railroad Parcel Room

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. — Jewels valued at $57,872 were stolen from the parcel room of the Union railroad station, police reported.

The gems, including 172 platinum diamond rings and stone rings and mountings, were in two brief cases which disappeared "in an unexplained manner" from the checkroom, Lt. James L. McCarthy said.

McCarthy said the loss was reported by Seymour Freiman, of Linden, N. J., salesman for a New York jewelry firm.

Phone your news items to 282.

Husband Robbed Her to Aid Marshal Tito, Wife Says

WINDSOR, ONT.—Mrs. Joseph Wrdelan complained that her husband had robbed her so he could "skip off to Yugoslavia to lay handsome gifts at the feet of Marshal Tito."

Police, acting on her charge, issued a warrant for Wrdelan, but expressed belief that he already was on the way to his native Yugoslavia.

Mrs. Wrdelan accused her husband of taking $200 she had earned in Ontario tobacco fields, plus $3,000 from a joint bank account. She said he had announced he would give Tito everything he could get together.

In a history lesson artfully prepared, Queen Victoria learned for the first time at the age of 12 that she would become Queen of England.

Ninety-six degrees in the Persian Gulf is the highest temperature for sea water ever recorded.

The diamond, composed solely of carbon, is the only gem consisting of only one element.

Scientists Continue Study Of Life on Mars Problem

The problem of life on Mars is one step nearer solution. The discovery of carbondioxide on Mars, in quantities very much the same as that on earth, has been made at Yerkes observatory, University of Chicago, and McDonald observatory, University of Texas.

The percentage of carbondioxide in the atmosphere of Mars was measured at McDonald observatory with the new Kuiper-designed infrared spectrometer, one of the most powerful tools for astronomical research. Two new carbondioxide bands were photographed with the instrument.

The results indicate a very modest quantity of carbondioxide in the spectrum of Mars. The earth's atmosphere contains 1/3000 carbondioxide. The radiations from Mars, by which the measurements were made, have wave lengths three times as great as that of visible light.

The poisonous gases, such as methane and ammonia, which would make life impossible are absent on Mars. The bulk of the atmosphere, according to astronomers, might be made up of nitrogen, which does not have bands in the observable part

Pacific Coast Takes Lead In Wood Pulp Production

Wood pulp is produced from pulpwood by various mechanical and chemical processes.

The greatest production of wood pulp is in the Pacific coast region, with about one-fifth of the total. The Southeast produces approximately one-sixth of the total. The Northeast, which formerly produced more than two-thirds of all wood pulp, now produces less than one-fifth. Nearly half of all production is by the kraft process, use of which has expanded greatly during the last 30 years, largely due to development of processes for making kraft pulp from southern pine.

Nearly all wood pulp is consumed by the paper and paper-board industry. The rest goes into rayon, explosives and plastics. Imports formerly came from Sweden, Canada and Finland, and entered the United States principally through North Atlantic ports and Canadian border points.

Diamond Jim Brady always bought two seats when he went to a show in which his favorite actress, Lillian Russell, was starring—one for himself and the other for a huge box

To Our Multitude of Friends
And Patrons We Send
A Multitude Of

GREETINGS

It is our wish that new joys not known before may come to you and abide with you all through the coming year.

It is because of your fine loyalty that we send this word of Christmas cheer. We thank you sincerely for your friendships and patronage and we seek the opportunity of continuing in this association in the future.

May the Holiday Season, with its fine sentiment, remain with you throughout the days of the New Year.

CAMP - BASKIN
INSURANCE for your every need

EMORY B. CAMP

GORDON S. BASKIN

Santa Won't Forget

You can take our word for it —old Saint Nick won't forget such good people as you. Somehow we just know that you are going to enjoy a happy Christmas and we are glad. We sincerely hope that everything you desire may come true and that the New Year will be one of real happiness for you.

Christmas
Greetings
TO OUR FRIENDS

J. P. WERNER
J. L. TAYLOR & CO., Tailoring

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Happy New Year

It's a very pleasant, cheering custom to renew friendly associations during the Yuletide by extending to you our sincere wishes for a *Happy Christmas.* And our optimistic predictions of a *Prosperous New Year.*

We are looking forward to serving you in the New Year and hope that increased patronage will make our services even more satisfactory.

The CORNER CAFE

Gifts That Will Suit Everyone

THE old saying that it isn't the gift but the giving that's appreciated may be true, but just the same a good gift quickens the heart so much more.

In being able to draw upon the abundance of the country, farm people are in a position to present especially valued gifts at comparatively small cost. For instance, a box full of spruce, fir, pine, holly, cedar or balsam is always welcomed as a decorative source by city friends.

City people, like everybody else, also appreciate good things to eat, and home canned country fruits and vegetables or some fowl can be expected to make a big hit. Gardeners in the big town will gladly welcome a packet of seeds gleaned from an expansive country garden.

Handy home-makers cân convert old articles into attractive gifts. An old felt hat can be made into a beanie for some young girl merely by using the crown and adding yarn stitching for decoration. The best part of an old fur coat beyond repair will make a rich carriage robe for a new baby. Pot-holders, dusting mitts, bath powder gloves, shoe bags are some of the items which can be salvaged from small scraps.

And, Ô yes! what could be more useful to a young bride than a home-made cook-book containing the home-maker's favorite recipes? Not only will such a book provide for tasty eating but it can also be expected to guide the young wife over some rough moments in the kitchen.

Story of the Tree

We are told that the fir tree goes back to Eve, but it was not until the time of Martin Luther that the evergreen was used as an indoor decoration in celebration of Christmas.

It is said that Luther one Christmas Eve wandered through the woods and became enamoured with the wonder of the night.

He cut a small snow-laden fir tree, and set it up in his home for his children. He illuminated it with candles to represent the stars

It was not until 1604 that, in Strassburg, the first Christmas tree appeared in literature.

Mountain sheep successfully defy all enemies except man.

Wassail Bowl Long Symbol of Merriment

The wassail bowl long has been a source of joy and merriment in celebrating the prospects for the New Year.

In merrie England, celebrants would stick cloves in the sides of an orange and drop it into the wassail bowl, where it would be allowed to float and flavor the drink. Spiced ale was a popular New Year's serving.

Early American colonials whooped it up on New Year's night. It was the custom in the south for young folks, servants and even Negroes to go from tavern to tavern, drink on the house, and wish all well.

NET SALES

The estimated net income after taxes of all manufacturing corporations in twenty-one major industries for the first quarter of this year reacher $2,700,000,000. This figure reflected net sales of $35,600,000,000; costs and expenses of $31,200,000,000; and Federal income taxes of $1,700,000,000.

Can't think of a better way

To Express Our Season's Greetings Than to Say

MERRY CHRISTMAS

This conveys exactly the thoughts we have for you at this glad season of the year. Best of luck to you, and you!

CARL C. BLACK

Sheriff, Milam County

We Wish You

an OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS

At this radiant Season of good cheer, when business cares and worries are overshadowed by good fellowship and kind thoughts and deeds, we sincerely wish you an old fashioned joyful Christmas and a just reward for your every effort during the New Year.

You have been very considerate in every way during the time it has been our privilege to serve you. For that reason we have set as our goal greater efforts to serve you more diligently than ever before.

Good Steaks
Fried Chicken
Sandwiches
Cold Beer
Phone Us For
Reservations

HILLTOP CAFE

Visit Us for Good Cheer During the Holidays

PHONE 9514

COTTON BRYAN, Proprietor

At no other time during the year do any of us derive the pleasure, satisfaction and contentment we receive from the joys of Christmas. The pleasant associations of friends and loved ones, the spirit of good feeling and love for our fellowman are in evidence everywhere and from these associations comes a stronger confidence in those around us.

Christmas is important! It is the season of sincere good will, the spirit which should go with us the three hundred and sixty-four other days of the year.

Let us each pledge ourselves toward this goal.

Season's GREETINGS

The Buckholts State Bank

Buckholts, Texas

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the glow of the Christmas candles reflect the true significance of this glorious occasion. May their cheerful radiance remind us again of the warm friendships of those about us, symbolizing the trust and confidence of those with whom we have been associated these past years.

It is our fervent hope that each of you will enjoy the Christmas season at its best.

KYLE VICK

STATE SENATOR, 13th DISTRICT

HAPPY HOLIDAY

By MARY NELSON

"HAPPY new year!"

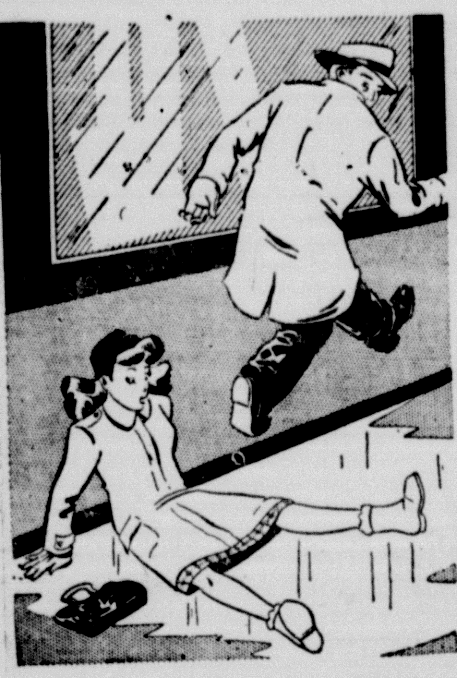
The cry echoed and re-echoed down the street as Penny made her way toward the bus stop. Everywhere about her people were lighthearted and gay and busily wishing their friends good fortune for the coming year. She buttoned her coat at the neck and turned up the collar. It was a bitterly cold day and she told herself she would be happy to reach home and stay in for the night. Let those with pioneer blood go out and stand in the raw wind down at Dayton Circle just to blow a silly horn at midnight ostensibly to usher in the new year.

Penny had always been known at home as a sensible girl with good common sense. She was proud of that reputation and now that she lived in the city alone she was more determined than ever to live up to it. She didn't want to become a sophisticated, worldly wise city girl. Thus, she summed up mentally, it was just as well she didn't go out.

"Going out tonight, Penny?"

The words interrupted her thoughts and she turned to greet Ruby, a fellow worker who was always going out with someone she called "Beanie." You could always tell the status of Ruby's romance by her mood: if she was exuberant to the point of being giddy, she was going to see Beanie that night; if she was quiet and petulant, she hadn't heard from him, and if she was downright rude with a sarcastic twist to every remark she made, then they had quarreled.

Penny smiled. "No, I'm not, Ruby," she replied. Odd that she should feel such emptiness within her as she said the words. She noted Ruby's quick glance of sympathy and it irritated her. "I don't know anyone here," she defended herself. Then added curtly, "And anyway, I wouldn't dream of going out in such ghastly weather."



"But her foot missed and came down on a sheet of ice."

Ruby shrugged. "Oh, well, if you feel that way about it . . . happy new year, Penny." She hurried away before the wretched girl could make any response. "Now why did I act so nasty?" she asked under her breath. Ruby hadn't meant any offense—she was simply so wrapped up in her own little world that she felt sorry for anyone who had no Beanie to which to cling. She was essentially a generous person and now Penny had deliberately hurt her.

AS SHE stood in the middle of the sidewalk, angry and discouraged, she saw her bus speeding recklessly down the street and without another thought to anything else she hurried toward the corner. "Wait, oh, wait!" she called, running breathlessly. No one else was waiting, however, and he careened sharply off the curb, hurrying on his way. "Oh, dear!" She burst into tears at this new disappointment and reached blindly for the curb.

But her foot missed and came down on a sheet of ice sending her into an astonished heap in the street.

For a moment she was too stunned to move. She heard footsteps hurrying past her and managed to sit up dazedly. A man knelt down beside her but his face was a blur of features. "Take it easy," he admonished, placing an arm across her back. She tried to focus her eyes upon him and hadn't quite succeeded when he cried, "Penny! Why, Penny Lindsay! What in the world are you doing out here?"

And then everything cleared and she saw the handsome, blond features of a former school friend. "Oh, Alan!" Tears tumbled over each other in hasty exit. He helped her to her feet. "Gee, it's good to see someone from the old home town. I've been so doggone lonely," he told her, manipulating the handkerchief skillfully around her nose and eyes.

"I'm lonely, too," she gasped. "I've only been here a month."

"Say! What are you doing tonight? Anything?"

"N-nothing." Her heart skipped a beat in anticipation.

"Then why don't we go somewhere and talk over old times? Gee, I'm dying to hear some gossip about the Turners and the Mitchells and all the rest. Will you, Penny?"

And Penny smiled happily this time. "Yes, Alan. Even this ghastly weather couldn't stop me from talking over old times with you."

DISABLED VETS

Disabled veterans in on-the-job training are proving to be more satisfactory workers, on the average, than their ablebodied fellow trainees, according to the Veterans Administration. This agency said that there is less absenteeism, better safety records, a slightly higher degree of efficiency and a longer stay on the same job among the disabled. On October 1, 107,505 disabled veterans were enrolled in on-job-training courses under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act.

FOOD EXPORTS DECREASE

In the first eight months of 1947, food exports to the value of $1,587,000,000 were shipped out of this country, which was a decrease of $2,281,000 from the corresponding period of last year.

CHRISTMAS CLUBS

Christmas club funds to be distributed by the nation's mutual savings banks within the next few weeks will total $25,000,000 more than a year ago, amounting to the record figure of $149,230,789.

A Jolly Christmas To You

Once again the Christmas season offers an opportunity to extend cordial greetings and best wishes to all those whose friendship and patronage we have enjoyed during the year.

May we express our appreciation of your consideration, and our Best Wishes for your continued happiness.

For Holiday Cheer

Beer, Wines and Brandies, in attractive, colorful Christmas wrappings.

Cigars and Cigarettes in Christmas wrappers.

Plentiful stocks, but shop early. Let us wrap and lay away your wines and brandies for your Christmas baking.

A CORDIAL WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT OUR CAFE. COME AND ENJOY THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS WITH US.

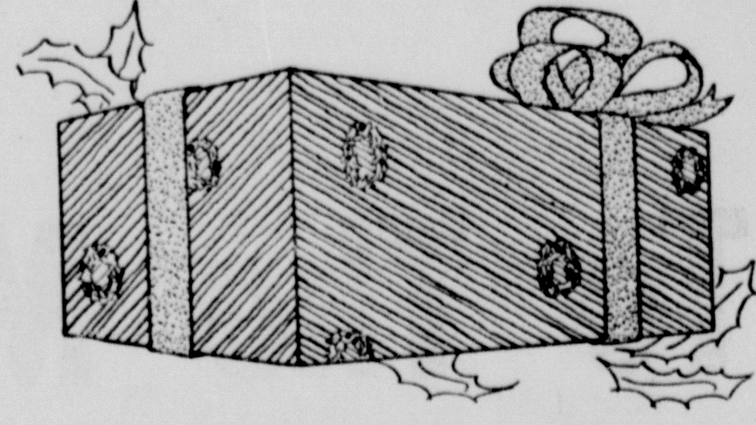
The Home of Good Cheer, Good Drinks and Good Foods.

THE FRIENDLY TAVERN

Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Plocek, Owners
TELEPHONE 146

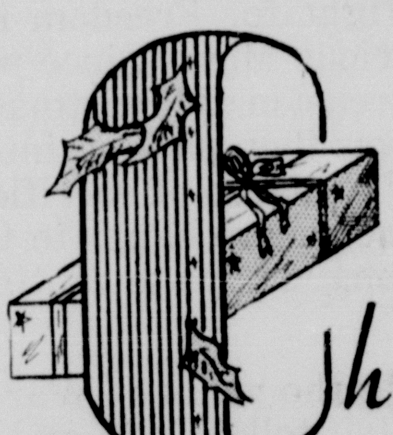
MERRY CHRISTMAS

Our Gift to You!



A pledge of friendship, goodwill, and a genuine desire to serve.

The Leader
DEPARTMENT STORE
PHONE 462



Christmas GREETINGS TO OUR FRIENDS

JERRY SCHILLER MOTOR CO.

DODGE AND PLYMOUTH SALES AND SERVICE
Phone 131 Cameron

A Merry, Merry Christmas

If it were at all possible, we would see each of you personally, clasp your hand in a friendly sort of way, and say, "Merry Christmas!" At the same time, we would express our sincere thanks for all past favors, and invite your continued patronage on the basis of our genuine interest in your welfare and our desire to be of every service possible to you during the coming year.

We are sorry we cannot see each of you individually—and we want to convey, through this message, our heartfelt appreciation of your friendships and to wish you all the joys of the Christmas Season.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

DUSEK PHARMACY

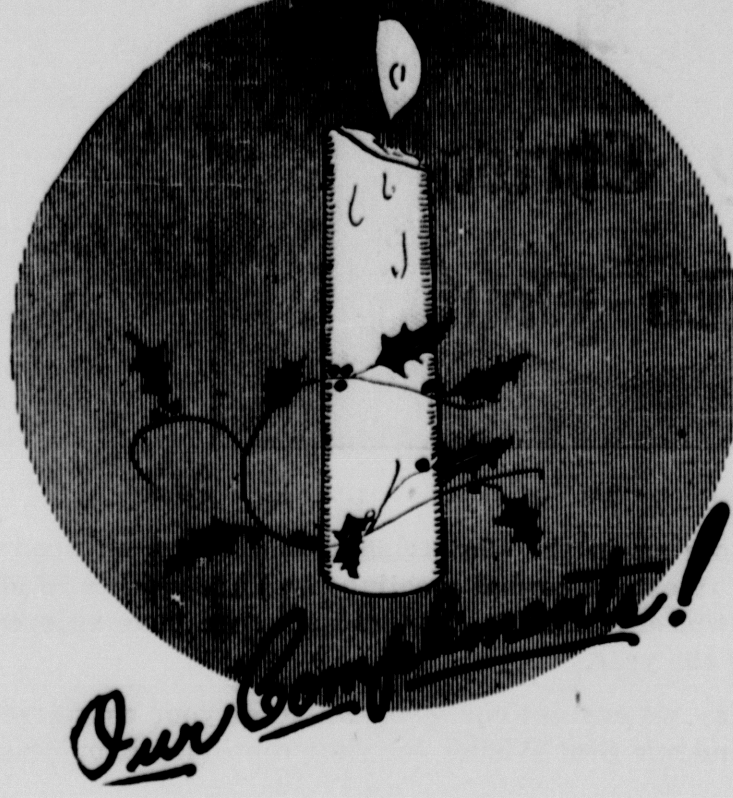
PHONE No. 2 "WE HAVE IT"

Warm and Sincere GREETINGS

Thank you, friends and neighbors, for your fine cooperation and helpful courtesy in the past year. We look forward to a bright future and hope you will receive a generous share of the good will and happiness so much in evidence today.

Jim Neinast Grocery

PHONE 264 CAMERON, TEXAS


Our Compliments!

To The Months Ahead

We have had our first full two years since the roar of battle died away upon continents and the far outposts of earth. Peace in an uncertain state has returned to the world. Many who fought for our liberties are still on foreign soil.

A brave new world is in the making and with characteristic resolution the people of America are looking to the future.

The fight for Freedom is a conflict as old as conscious Man. Since we last greeted you on the occasion of Christmas to review the year which was then passing into history, we know our full measure of sacrifice. As 1947 draws to a close we are happy in the realization that we no longer have to continue the struggle.

During the years of War with their months of terrible toll in life and treasure, this old newspaper, wrought with the ever increasing devotion to the principles of Freedom and Liberty to preserve the Light which has ever been the Privilege of Free Men.

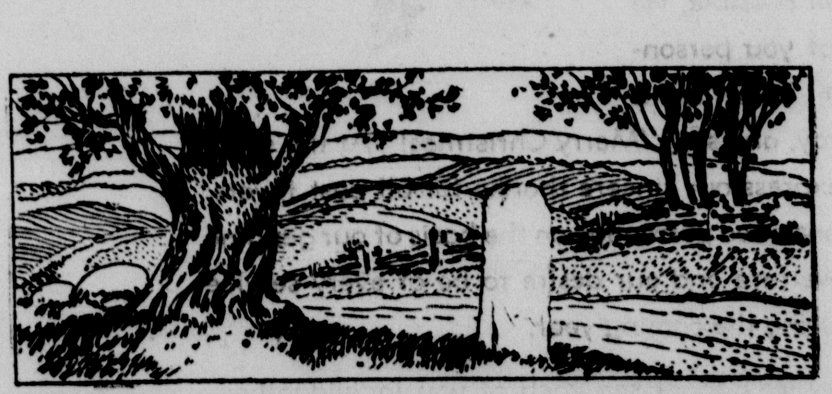
We like to think of The Herald as American as land and crops. The right to say and to think with independence is likewise as American as land and crops. The fight for Freedom goes on. Freedom to write, to speak, to believe and to worship. These have inspired publications with American integrity through the years.

Christmas for your Newspaper and those who print it is no different in meaning than to any other American business institution. Christmas brings an atmosphere in which we can best emphasize how grateful we are that we have so many friends and readers; that in the course of the year we have enjoyed our full share of your patronage and support.

American journalism is unique. To bring the news and to bring it truthfully, shorn of censorship, political or commercial, has always been and will continue to be the policy of The Herald.

Everything about The Herald is American; its personnel, its policy, its aims. We fight every day for Liberty and for Freedom to keep open the avenues of untrammeled expression that our people may know the Truth, for Truth makes men Free in the world.

For 88 years, far longer than any other newspaper in Milam county, The Herald has labored. If we have succeeded in the mission of Good Journalism in 1947, we shall have been compensated well for the sacrifices we have made. Your generous support tells us you like the kind of newspaper The Herald approximates each week. So we salute you again this Christmas, as always, and wish you a Prosperous New Wear.



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Housewives Learn More About Safety

Fewer Burned Fingers Show They Are Getting Wise.

CHICAGO.—The American housewife isn't burning her fingers on the kitchen stove as much this year as last. That's because she's becoming increasingly educated on home safety, Thomas Fansler, director of the home safety division of National Safety council, said.

But even so, Fansler said, fatal home accidents will show about an 8 per cent rise this year over last. Home fatalities will rise from 33,700 last year to around 35,000 this year, Fansler predicted.

"The kitchen remains the most dangerous room in the home," he said.

The hazard of the bar of soap in the bathtub is largely a fable of cartoonists, Fansler indicated. Because, he said, figures show the bathroom is the safest room in the house.

Fansler said the increase in home accidents involves children under 5 and adults of the old-age group.

Men have almost as many accidents at home as women — and they're not at home nearly as much. Fansler said that is because women know the foibles of the house better.

"A woman knows when her skillet has a loose handle, but when a man goes into the kitchen to fix his breakfast, he gets burned with it," said Fansler.

The safety executive will call for greater emphasis this year on better home designing.

That's where home safety begins—on the blue prints." he said.

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In porportion to its size, Belgium has the greatest native developed mineral wealth of any country in the world.

Prayers for College Loan Halted by Call About Check

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. — A slip-up in the date of a benefit collection left the Southwest Pentecostal Holiness college facing a $10,000 loan payment with only $7,000 on hand.

The Rev. R. O. Corvin went calling and came back with $1,000. Then he talked it over with the students, and they contributed $138, all they had.

That left a deficit of still nearly $2,000, and Mr. Corvin called for prayers. They were interrupted by a long-distance telephone call. A friend of the church, who withheld his name, said a check for $2,000 was in the mail.

The prayers were resumed on a note of thanksgiving.

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The longest muscle in the human body is the sartorius which runs from the upper hip to the inner knee.

Canapes offer a wide scope for originality and artistry in makeup. To any family dinner menu one may make it a festive occasion for guests by simply adding a separate course of appetizers. Such a course is the custom in many foreign countries. There are two essentials which must be kept in mind when serving canapes. First, let it be just an appetizer. Second, if it is to be a cold dish, let it be very cold; if hot, very hot.

CANAPES PARMESAN

Mix grated Parmesan cheese with equal amount of whipped cream. Spread on small rounds of bread which have been fried in butter. Cover with chopped parsley and decorate with cheese mixture put through a pastry tube.

SALMON CANAPE

Make a paste of canned salmon, minced celery, lemon juice and mayonnaise. Spread this on oblongs of toast and set a whole shrimp on the top.

BACON AND OLIVE CANAPE

Wrap a strip of bacon around a large stuffed olive. Skewer with a toothpick. Broil until bacon is crisp and golden brown, serve on rounds of toast.

Remembering You
AT THIS GLAD TIME OF THE YEAR . . .
CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

ROCKDALE STATE BANK
ROCKDALE, TEXAS

MERRY Christmas
TO EACH OF OUR FRIENDS
CAMERON AUTO SUPPLY CO.
ALLEN DODSON JERRY MIKULA
PHONE 127

BEST WISHES
for
A MERRY CHRISTMAS
and
A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR.

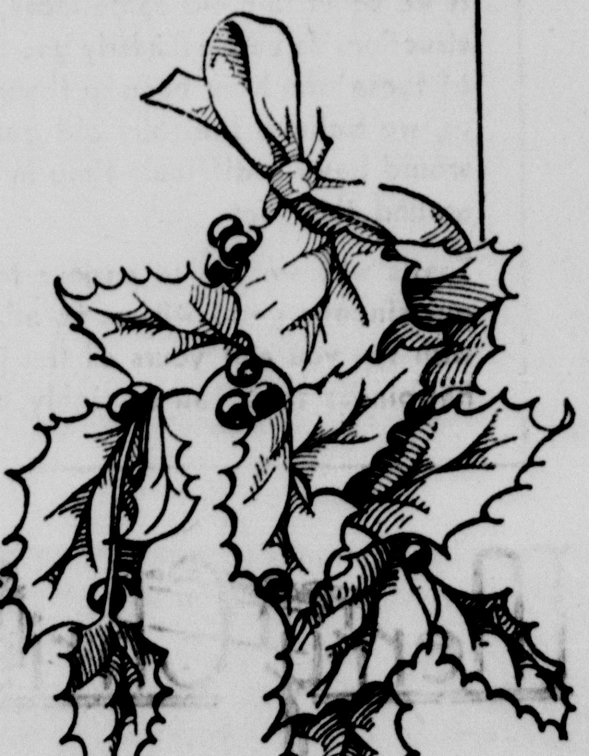
Many Attractive Gifts for the late shopper

E. O. SCHILLER PHARMACY
PRESCRIPTION DRUGGISTS
PHONE 62 CAMERON

MERRY CHRISTMAS

The things you have wished for . . . the ambitions and plans that have been yours . . we hope they will all be realized during the coming year. And may the Holiday Season be a happy one and the New Year one of usefulness, happiness and success.

HAPPY NEW YEAR



PALACE OF SWEETS
FRED RENO

Season's Greetings

WE ARE GRATEFUL AT CHRISTMASTIME

In the excitement and hurry of the Christmas Season, it is difficult to see all one's friends even for a moment, to extend Yuletide Greetings. We do not wish to overlook any of our many friends at this glad time of the year so we are taking this means of wishing each of you a Merry Christmas; to acknowledge your many kindnesses and favors and to thank you for all you have done for us.

May good fortune follow you throughout the coming twelve months.

BERT NICHOLSON

DRINK Dr. Pepper GOOD FOR LIFE!

Old Santa Couldn't Do More!

If we could turn old Santa loose, with instructions to be particularly good to each of those who have been so thoughtful of us, we believe the jolly old gentleman would have a difficult time in getting around this year.

That's why we are so anxious to extend our sincere good wishes to all, and to wish for you and yours all the joys and happiness that you so richly deserve.

Merry Christmas!

BURKE'S

5c To $1.00 STORE

RAY BURKE

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I do not want so very much. All I would like to have is a gun and any other little thing. Please help the little children in Europe. I know they want a good Christmas too.

Your friend,
RICHARD FAVER

Dear Santa:

How are you? Do you have a bicycle? I would like to have a Monarch, if you have one. Do you have any parts for my electric train? I need parts too. That is all I want this Christmas except I would like more tracks for my train. Do you have many toys this year? I hope you do. I wish you good luck in pleasing every girl and boy.

Your friend,
DICKY DENSON

Dear Santa:

I would like a football and a new ball and bat. Last time you brought me some very nice things and I liked them very, very much. I still have some of them left. Thank you very much.

Your friend,
OSCAR KERNS

Dear Santa:

May I have a dart set, a magic set and some records? What would you like to have me put out for you?

Your friend,
INEZ BETSYANN COLEMAN

Dear Santa:

Will you please send me a Cub Scout suit, a football and a little fruit and candy? Please be nice to the other little boys and girls. Thank you.

Your friend,
JIMMY MARKHAM

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a basketball and a purse. Please remember to bring the other girls and boys something too. Thank you.

Your friend,
JOYCE GLASER

Dear Santa:

I am not asking much from you, but will you please bring me two pairs of boxing gloves, two pairs of pants, a shirt and a ball and bat?

Your friend,
BUDDY THOMPSON

Dear Santa:

How are you? I would like a boy's watch, please. I hope you can visit me. I want you to remember all the other boys and birls, too. Don't forget baby sister. I would like a leash for my dog, Rusty.

Your friend,
DON MAX HOWARD

Dear Santa:

How are you? Will you bring me a ball and a bat? Please bring me a Chemistry set. I will be very pleased to have these things.

Your friend,
BOBBY WILLIAMS

Dear Santa:

I am ten years old and in the fourth grade. I would like to have a set of boxing gloves for Christmas and some nuts and fruits. I hope to see you, and I hope all the other little boys and girls have a happy Christmas.

Your friend,
NEWTON BILLY TINDALL

Dear Santa:

I would like to have for Christmas a billfold, a pair of boxing gloves and a fountain pen. That is all this time. Thank you, Santa Claus.

Your friend,
BENNY MASSENGALE

Dear Santa:

How are you getting along? I hope just fine, because I want you to visit me and not miss my house. I surely would be disappointed if you didn't come. For my Christmas presents, I wish you would please bring me a bicycle, a sewing machine, a purse and a stocking full of nuts and fruit.

Your friend,
LAWANDA JANE RANEY

Dear Santa:

Will you please bring me a baseball and a glove? It is cold here. Is it cold there where you are? Thank you.

Your friend,
WILLIE WILLARD TEMPLIN

Christmas Greetings

Although our message may be brief, we want you to know it is with genuine appreciation of your thoughtfulness in the past that prompts us to present compliments of the season. Our every good wish is for you at this happiest of all holidays.

Caperton 5c and 10c Stores

NARVIE CAPERTON

A Merry Christmas

The Officers, Directors and entire Membership of the Chamber of Commerce sincerely appreciate the opportunity which this Good Season affords to express their gratitude for your co-operation.

Your Chamber of Commerce has plans for the New Year and with your continued co-operation and confidence we can and will do bigger and better things. We are expressing hope for better days, greater progress and development, remembering each one who has had a share in our fine, co-operative enterprise during the year 1947.

May you be happy at Christmas and in the New Year.

Chamber of Commerce

Sign Words for Deaf Invented by Briton

Gesture System Aimed to Help Handicapped Children.

LONDON. — A new system of hand gestures whereby the child deaf from birth will think and express himself in terms of words produced by gestures has been developed by Sir Richard Paget, 78-year-old British lawyer and physicist.

Sir Richard, who has spent 13 years compounding his new sign language for the education of children born deaf, a task involving the study of primitive gestures in many parts of the world, demonstrated 150 of the 3,000 signs in the vocabulary to the anthropology section of the British Association for the Advancement of Science.

With his hands, fingers and arms moving slowly, he spoke in the sign sentences which he said a child of four could express in the new system.

"We all went to the animal enclosure at the zoo. The monkeys made use laugh. The keeper fed the sea lions with fish. I wish you could have seen it."

Sir Richard announced he was proposing to try the experiment of educating a small group of young children deaf from birth by habitually speaking to them in the sign language, which is totally different from finger spelling.

Instructors will encourage the deaf children themselves to speak in the system, in which every sign is the equivalent of a spoken word.

"A normal child of five has a vocabulary of 2,000 words," Sir Richard said, "and a deaf child leads also to dumbness and mental retardedness.

"If the child deaf from birth has a normal vocabulary of 2,000 of these signs he should be able to learn to lip read as well as the child who has become deaf after learning to speak.

"We can give him a language which is as easy to acquire as a spoken language is to the hearing child."

JOKESTERS CHANGE SIGNS

Evansville, Ind.—Traffic officials, horrified when motorists openly flouted 30-miles-an-hour speed zones by whizzing through them at an 80-mile-an-hour clip, investigated and found that pranksters, with a deft hand at printing, had neatly converted the 30-mile-an-hour signs into 80-miles-an-hour signs.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Once more it is our pleasure to extend the compliments of the Yuletide Season to our host of friends in this community. It is a very pleasant and cheerful custom to renew these associations — that's why we await Christmas time with eager anticipation.

You have been good to us—may old Santa be just as good to you.

J. E. FLINN
COTTON
PHONE 284 CAMERON

For Christmas
and the New Year
Every Good Wish

ANDERLE LUMBER CO., Inc.
Complete Line of Building Materials and Supplies
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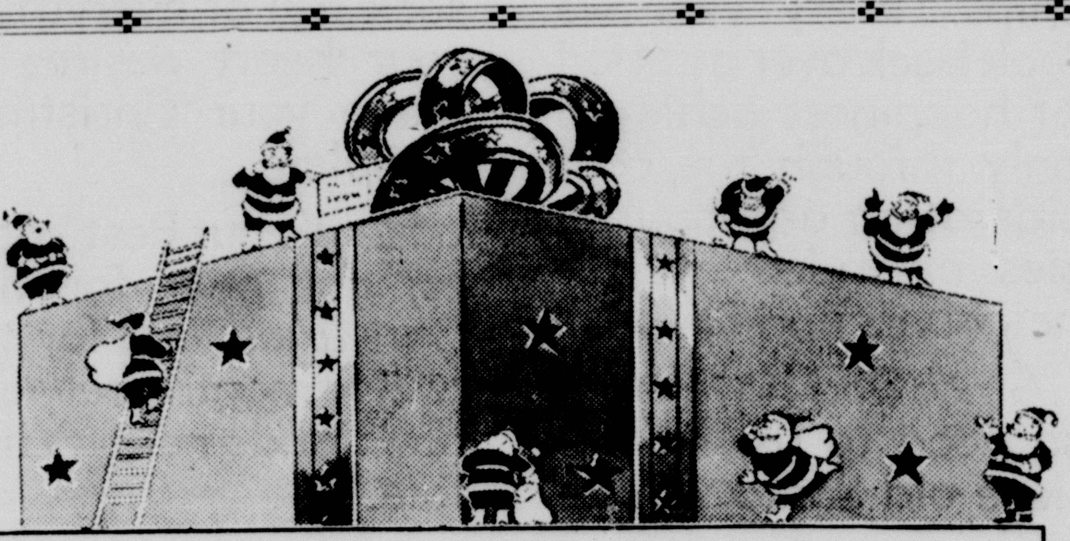
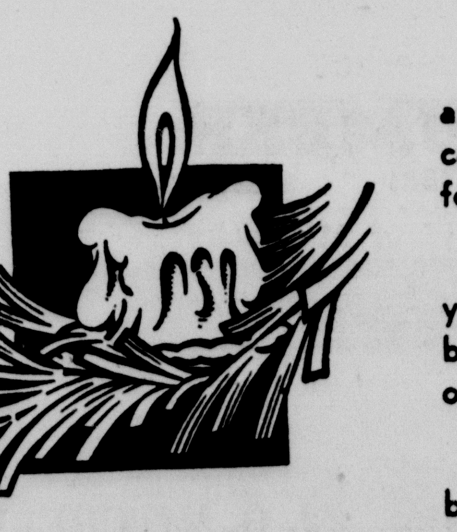


Merry Christmas



WE look forward to sending you our sincere good wishes for a happy Holiday. It is a pleasure to us because it gives us an opportunity to thank you for all you have done for this firm.

Your have been liberal in your patronage, your friendship and good will—the combination of which spells progress for any organization.

You have been good to us—may Santa be just as good to you.

Matyastik & Sons Gin
W. P. MATYASTIK
ALLIS-CHALMERS DEALER
PHONES 477 and 365-J CAMERON, TEXAS

Hello Friends

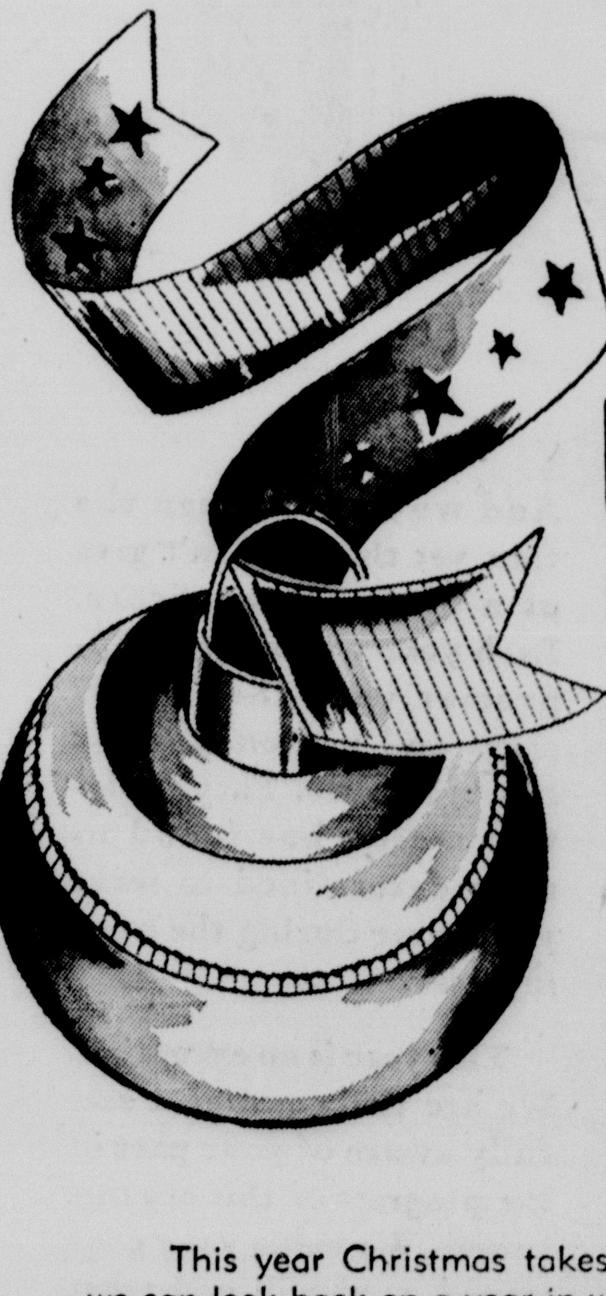
When we count our blessings we find many we had not thought about. Among the outstanding blessings in our list is the good will of the people of this community.

We thank you most cordially for this good will and assure you of our deep appreciation. We wish for you a pleasant holiday, and a New Year that will bring you many blessings.

HERE'S TO YOUR HEALTH AND HAPPINESS!!

Vaughan's Toddle Inn
ROY VAUGHAN

WELCOME to the CHRISTMAS SEASON



When the Christmas season rolls around each year, we find ourselves looking forward to it with anticipation because of the happiness involved. We enjoy the festiveness and the cordiality of the occasion and the friendly atmosphere that prevails.

This year Christmas takes on added significance because we can look back on a year in which we had an extra amount of rich blessings and we are truly grateful.

That is why we are getting more enjoyment out of this Christmas than ever before. We are mindful of these blessings and wish to take this means of expressing our thanks and best wishes.

LESTER GRAIN COMPANY
RAY LESTER PHONE 116

Six Simple Rules Listed For Saving Fuel Dollars

MINNEAPOLIS. — American householders can save millions of dollars and help to avert any possible fuel emergency by adopting a simple, six-point program of fuel conservation this winter, according to Thomas McDonald, vice president of Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator company.

"Six time-tested rules can be the means of saving up to 50 per cent of the fuel budget in many homes," McDonald said. "With mounting costs, this is important from an economic standpoint. It also will be important from the point of comfort, if any emergency should arise."

McDonald urged adoption of these six points:

1. Prevent overheating and maintain uniform temperature. Keep daytime temperature as low as possible consistent with comfort—about 70—and lower the thermostat setting at night. If you have a clock thermostat, it can be set to turn the heat down and up automatically.

2. Turn off heat in unoccupied rooms, including bedrooms during the day. Keep shades drawn and keep windows closed at night.

3. Do not waste hot water.

4. Install storm windows and repair or close openings around doors and windows to effect complete insulation.

5. Replace missing boiler or furnace insulation. Insulate the hot water heater.

6. If in doubt, call your heating dealer for a check for your heating plant.

ROSE CANAPE

Rub cottage cheese through a sieve mix with nuts and a little salad dressing. Spread on circular pieces of bread. Decorate with a pink rose, using a tinted cream cheese through

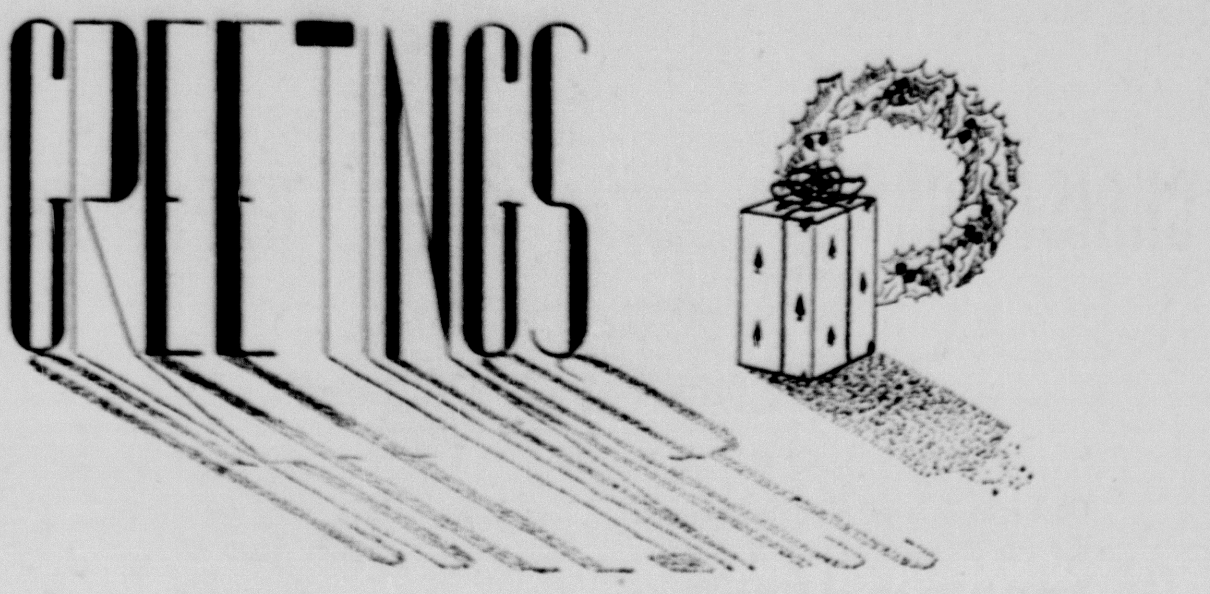
BLACK AND WHITE CANAPE

Chop the whites of hard-cooked eggs, season and mix with a little mayonnaise. Spread generously on small shapes of bread, leaving a small well in the center. Fill with caviar.

Ancient Grand Canal

China's Grand canal, reported breached by Nationalist forces to unleash floods against Communist advance in the northern plains province of Hopeh, is known to the Chinese as "Move-Goods river." The canal generally is regarded as the longest and in sections the oldest artificial waterway in modern use. Meandering southward for more than a thousand miles from Peiping to Hanchow, it crosses the great Hwang (Yellow) and the Yangtze rivers. In the 13th century, world-traveler Marco Polo described it as a "wide and deep channel dug between stream and stream, between lake and lake, forming as it were a greater river on which large vessels can ply." To the people living along its banks, the Grand canal is more than a traffic and transport lane. It is, even in peacetime, foe or friend, depending on whether its waters bring flood and devastation or fertility and life.

When a person loses the sight of one eye, his field of vision is reduced by about one-fifth.



Christmas, to us, means the contentment that comes from the association of loyal friends, the satisfaction of having been of service. It is a time for thanksgiving and reverence, a time to be more mindful of the blessings of peace and the right to live according to the dictates of one's own heart.

TEXAS STAR BAR

BRUNO EIXMAN, Owner

WELCOME SANTA!

YOU'VE COME TO THE RIGHT PLACE

You can't go wrong with these people. Santa. We've lived with them a long time, and have enjoyed their unselfish attitudes, their thoughtfulness and consideration of the other fellow.... They've been mighty good to us, and that's why we want you to be good to them.

JESSE BROCK, AGENT

Magnolia Petroleum Company Phone 579

A Joyous Season

GREETINGS

NEIGHBORS

Each Christmas season we realize more fully the value of friendships. Every year we look back over a period of happiness achieved only through the consideration and courtesies extended by our neighbors and friends.

Since you have been so good to us, we believe old Santa will be good to you. We hope he drives right up to your front door with a sack full of everything your heart desires to make your Christmas complete.

Here's our Best Wishes, not only for this Christmas, but for the twelve months between now and next Yuletide.

Wm. P. Carey LUMBER CO. EST. 1881
BUILDING MATERIALS OF ALL KINDS
There's always a Carey Branch handy
LUMBER STORES IN TEXAS

A. E. MATULA
PHONE 27 CAMERON

J. O. MITCHELL
PHONE 18 BUCKHOLTS

Cordial Greetings

We've Been Wishin' You A Merry Christmas for a Great Many Years

And we haven't seen the time yet that it didn't give us a pleasant experience. Each year we are more appreciative of the friendships and patronage that has been ours. Each Yuletide season has found us more determined to serve you better during the coming year.

This year is no exception. We are truly grateful and fully aware of your part in the progress of this organization. We value your continued good-will and trust that we may merit it for many more years to come.

GRABEIN CHEVROLET CO.

CHEVROLET

SALES AND SERVICE

ONE WAY TO DO IT—

Oakland, Calif., —When Mrs. Edith K. Hanlon realized she was lost, while walking on a dark street at night, she saw a fire box and pulled the alarm. Up roared fire trucks and the Fire Chief who had rolled out of a nice warm bed. Explaining the situation, Mrs. Hanlon was bundled into a police patrol car and taken home.

CREAM AND CHEESE WAFERS

Select long narrow wafers which have been crisped in the oven. Meanwhile cream together one small cream cheese and 2 tablespoons of cavier. Spread on the crackers. Sprinkle with finely chopped onion and top with anchovies.

ANCHOVY CANAPES

Cut thin slices of white bread in small diamond shapes. Spread with a mixture of chopped anchovies, sauteed mushrooms and capers. Garnish with slices of stuffed olives by making a border of half slices and placing a whole slice in the middle.

Major Iron Ores Divided Into Four General Types

Principal iron ores in the United States may be classified into four general types, namely, magnetite, hematite, brown ore or limonite, and siderite.

Magnetite in its pure state is the highest in percentage of iron. Hematite is found in the greatest quantity, and is next to magnetite in richness of iron content. Approximately 94 per cent of all ore mined is hematite. Limonite is hematite combined with water. It constitutes only a small percentage of all ore mined. Siderite is the lowest in iron content. It has other undesirable qualities, but where found in large enough quantities it has been used commercially. The geographical distribution of these ores is quite widespread over the United States, although their commercial importance in some states is doubtful.

The ore deposits of the Lake Superior region are noteworthy for magnitude, quality and convenient transportation. They are found over wide areas in the Vermilion, Mesabi, Gunflint and Cuyuna ranges in eastern Minnesota, the Gogebic and Menominee ranges in northern Wisconsin and upper Michigan, and the Marquette range in upper Michigan, all adjacent to Lake Michigan or Lake Superior. Other important deposits being worked are in Alabama, New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Australia Doubles U. S. In Production of Wool

Some wool is produced in every state, but in most states it is a minor product of general farming. Australia has more than double the United States production, and Argentina in recent years also has somewhat surpassed this country in production.

The 17 western states produce approximately three-quarters of total domestic shorn wool. Texas, with about one-fifth of the total is by far the leading producer. Other large producers are Wyoming, Montana, California, Utah, Idaho, New Mexico, Ohio and Oregon. In recent years, Wyoming and Montana have ranked next to Texas, but both these states have lost ground in production, while Texas, California and Utah, among others, are on the increase. Nearly all pulled wool originates at meat-packing centers.

Wool is fiber obtained from the coat of sheep, and mohair comes from Angora goats. Wool ranked next to cotton in importance among U. S. textile fibers until 1938, when it was displaced by rayon.

Wool usually is classified for use into two principal types, apparel and carpet. Practically all American wool is apparel wool. Carpet wool comes principally from Asia, Africa and Argentina.

High Farm Income

Employment, income and production, the three important indicators, currently reflect a high level of business activity. The past year has set a record for farm income in the country as a whole. In the first five months of 1947 farm cash income ran about 25 per cent higher than in the same months of 1946. This increase primarily reflects prices which average about 30 per cent higher than a year ago. Income from meat animals is up by more than 50 per cent; dairy products are bringing in about 40 per cent more than in 1946 on the basis of market prices; poultry and eggs are about 10 per cent higher and crop income totals about 10 per cent over last year. The key question in the farm outlook is how long will these high cash incomes continue. The answer to this question depends on what will happen to prices from now on.

First Air Clipper

The giant 52-passenger, 300-mile-an-hour Clippers that span the Atlantic non-stop today are a far cry from the frail 10-passenger craft that was coaxed across the water from Key West, Fla., to Havana, Cuba, at 85 miles an hour October from Key West, Fla., to Havana, schedules were operated with tiny wooden-winged Fokker F-7 and C-2 tri-motor aircraft, the first land planes to be operated on overwater routes. First delivered in October, 1928, the twin-engined Sikorsky S-38 carried eight passengers at 105 miles an hour. The S-38 was followed by the Sikorsky S-41, which carried 10 passengers and had a cruising speed of 100 miles an hour. Also added to the growing fleet at that time were twin-engine Commodores carrying 20 passengers at 101 miles an hour.

Germans Favor Medical Study

More German university students want to take up medicine than any other profession, according to a American Medical association report. The number of registered medical students in the American zone is 10,714, considerably more than in any other zone. At present many universities do not admit first year medical students. Destruction of many buildings, institutes, clinics, lack of housing and shortage of textbooks are the chief difficulties. The percentage of women students is higher in the Russian zone than in western Germany. In Berlin women constitute 40 per cent of the total, with an absolute majority at the medical and philosophical faculties. In 1932 only 25 per cent of the students were women.

STUFFED DILL SLICES

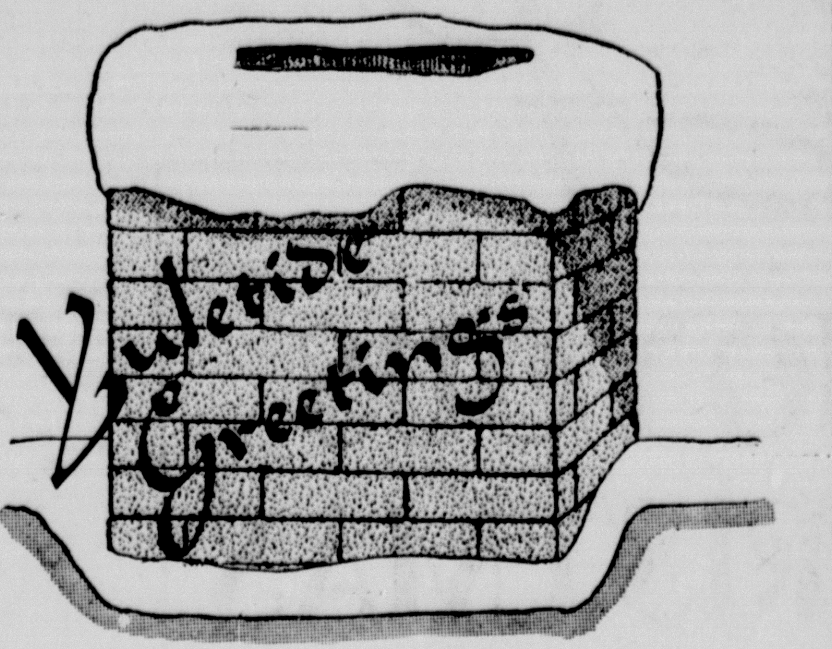
Select large dill pickles and remove the centers, using an apple corer or a sharp knife. Fill the centers wiht soft pimento cream cheese. Chill and when ready to serve cut into slices and put slices on small rounds of toast.

A bird of India, the mynah, learns to talk so easily that it can be taught to carry on question-and-answer conversation.

WATERCRESS CANAPE

Cut bread in fancy shapes; soften butter and blend with it border of it around the edge, finely chopped watercress. Spread over bread and put a border of it around the edge, using a pastry tube. In the center place a small sprig of water-cress. Chill well before serving.

The official Irish name for Dublin is Baile Atha Cliath.



Extending our Sincere Wishes for a
CHRISTMAS OF GOOD CHEER
and a
NEW YEAR OF HAPPINESS

If we did not avail ourselves of the opportunity to express our appreciation to our loyal friends and customers for your patronage . . . To you we wish the most of Christmas Joy and a Happy, Prosperous New Year.

LACK'S
AUTO SUPPLY—ASSOCIATE STORE
W. C. ALLEN, Owner

GOOD WISHES For A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the season be one of great joy and may the New Year be one of complete happiness.

Womack Brashear
JUSTICE OF PEACE
PRECINCT 1
Milam County

CHRISTMAS
AND FRIENDS
GO HAND IN HAND..

All too often we take our friends for granted. We are aware of the fact that every day sees some evidence of the friendships of the people whom we strive to serve and too frequently we neglect acknowledging these kindnesses.

But at Christmas, when we pause in the busy whirl of everyday routine things, we become conscious of our shortcomings, and wish to convey in this message our heartfelt thanks for the good things that have come our way.

To you, our friends, we wish you a Happy Christmas and a New Year of Health and Prosperity.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

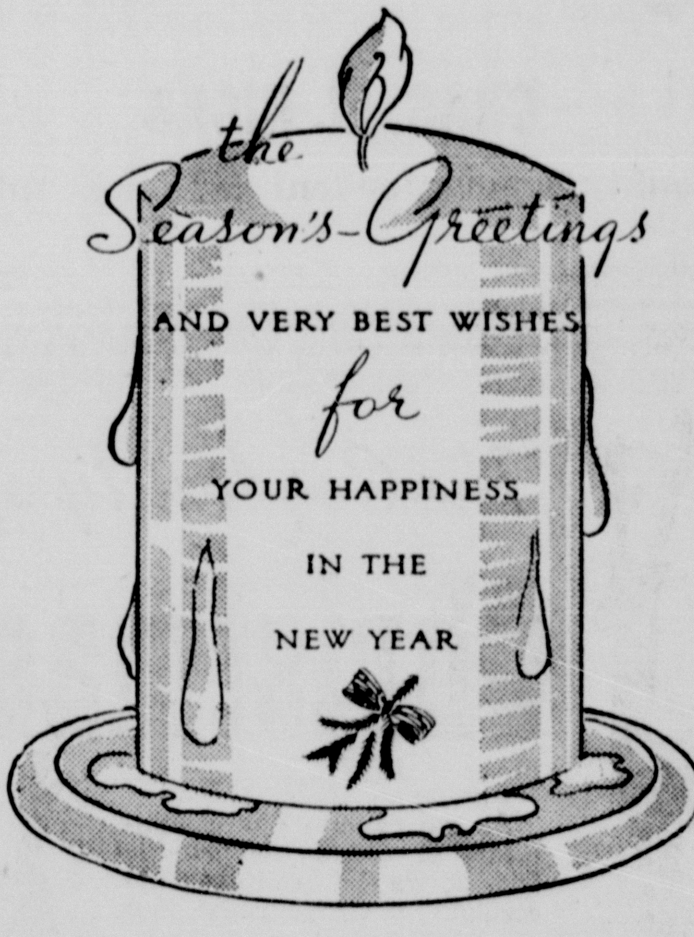
GREGORY'S GENERAL TIRE SALES CO.
F. L. GREGORY
PHONE 140 CAMERON, TEXAS

GREETINGS

THE
Christmas
SEASON

To our friends everywhere, we send sincerest Christmas greetings. We value your friendship and never-failing faith in our organization. May the coming year be a prosperous one, a cheerful one and a healthful one for you.

Buck Bonds Service Station
Gulf Products Phone 231



ATKINSON - STALLWORTH
INSURANCE AGENCY
PHONE 365 EVERY DAY IN THE YEAR

Season's Best!

To our friends of this community, to our friends in other communities and to the friends of our friends, we say, "MERRY CHRISTMAS." The old year has been a good one. We cannot count our multifold blessings but we know we have much for which to be thankful. It is with heartfelt feeling and gratitude that we send each of you these greetings.

May this Noel see you happy and contented and may the New Year be one of genuine happiness for you and yours.

VALTER WHITE
Assessor and Collector of Taxes, Milam Co.

WE WELCOME THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

We look forward to Christmas each year, not because it's another Holiday, but because we enjoy the privilege of extending our sincere good wishes to those we serve.

C. E. TRIGGS, COTTON

Manager for Texas Cotton Growers

A HOLIDAY THOUGHT

The Yuletide Season brings with it the pleasant thoughts of friendly associations in the past. It reminds us of the splendid patronage that has been ours to enjoy and the confidence shown in our organization manifest most forcibly by the continuance of your goodwill.

We sincerely trust that we may continue to enjoy the same amicable associations throughout the years to come.

We wish you a Merry Christmas!

CHAS. M. HICKS

County Superintendent, Milam County

The Cordiality of Christmas

As we express our compliments of the Season to our friends, we are mindful of the cordiality of CHRISTMAS that results in a feeling of thankfulness for the faithful and loyal relationships of those whom we serve.

May this cordiality continue throughout the months to come

JOHN MUSE MOTOR CO.

Buick and GMC Trucks Sales and Service

GOOD CHEER AT CHRISTMASTIME

Please accept these sincere Greetings of Good Cheer to you, our friends, and a heartfelt appreciation for your cooperation and support in the year just coming to a close.

KIM MAJORS GARAGE

PHONE 73 207 NORTH FANNIN

By DANIEL F. LINDSAY

TOM LARKIN opened the kitchen door. His wife looked up with a hopeful smile as he entered. He just shook his head.

"No mail at all?" she said as she went on fixing dinner.

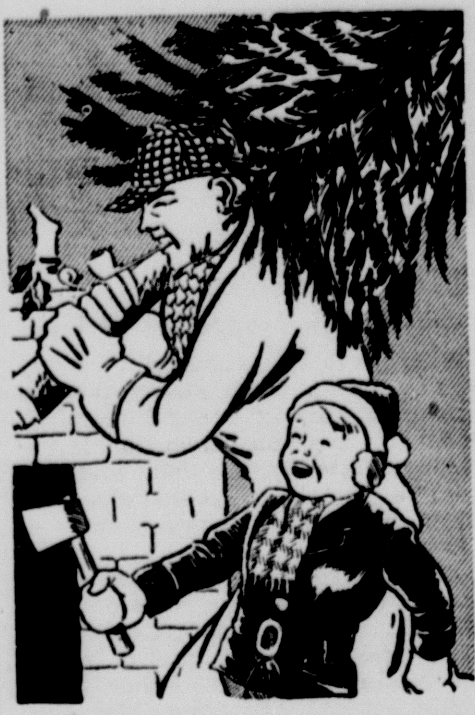
"Oh, there were a couple of ads and a bill from the seed company." He hung his hat on a hook and crossed to the pump. His white hair was damp around his face when he straightened up again.

"It's just not like Bill," she sighed.

"Bill's got an unforgivin' streak, always did have, even when he was a little feller." Pa's old briar gave off a pungent odor as he lit it.

"But this is different, Tom," she said, putting a pan of biscuits in the oven, "tomorrow is Christmas. It's a long way to the coast. Maybe he wrote but didn't mail it in time."

"Ma," his tired old voice was filled with bitterness, "there's no need to stick pins in yourself by hopin'. Christmas or no Christmas . . . that boy is still mad."



"She could see Pa striding into the living room."

The old lady's eyes shone with faith. "He might stay mad all year long but when Christmas comes . . . he'll write. I know. I'm his Ma."

"Don't forget," Tom said as he blew smoke at the ceiling. His eyes crinkled at the corners, "I'm his father."

"Dinner's ready, Pa," she said, filled with a deep longing and fought to keep the tears out of her voice.

"I c'n understand that boy still bein' mad at me, but why does he have to take it out on you?"

"You're wrong, Tom," Ma replied as she lifted her head and smiled. "The day after Christmas, first delivery, we'll get a letter. You'll see."

"Not from him," he shook his head grimly.

"You're forgettin' Judy," she reminded him as they sat down. "She's a good daughter-in-law."

"Oh, I'm not blamin' her," replying as he covered his biscuits with gravy, "Judy's a fine girl. It's his bull headed pride."

She got up and taking the coffee pot off the cook stove filled his cup. They ate on in silence. Finally he pushed his plate back.

"You aren't eatin' much," he scolded.

"I'm just not hungry, Pa."

"I see," he stood up. "I'm goin' out and turn the heater on in the hen house. It'll be cold tonight." His old shoulders slumped forward as he went outside. She shook her head and started picking up the dishes. Her mind sank back into the past. To the days when Christmas was alive with the excitement and laughter of young voices. She could see Pa striding into the living room bearing a large evergreen on his shoulder. Behind him there was always a highly excited little boy, bearing an axe. She wondered if the little boy ever thought of it.

PA CAME back on the porch. She smiled as he kicked his toe against the threshold. It's a wonder, she thought, that there's any threshold left after all these years. He came into the kitchen, dumping an arm load of kindling in the box behind the range.

"Snowin', Pa?"

He shook his head and took off his wraps, replying, "Stopped."

She hung the dish towels up to dry. He pulled a rocker in from the living room and sat down.

"Everything all right in the barn?" Ma asked as she threw a few lumps of coal in the fire.

"Sure," Pa said. A sad smile crossed his lips, "What's the use pretendin', Ma? We're both feelin' blue."

She sat down at the old kitchen table and started peeling apples, uttered, "I know it."

"Gonna bake me a pie?" he asked.

She nodded. "Apple was always Billy's favorite, too."

"Now, Ma, what's the use of . . . ," he stopped as they heard a car drive up in the yard. "Must be Jim Rogers Said today that new calf of his was sick." He opened the kitchen door and peered out into the night. She could hear him catch his breath as he watched a man and a woman get out. "Ma, who do you think?" his voice was low.

"I knew," Ma laughed as she laid the paring knife down with a happy smile, "I knew it all the time."

WISHING YOU A JOYOUS CHRISTMAS

It has been our pleasure to enjoy many happy experiences in this community each year. The one we enjoy most of all, perhaps, is the opportunity of sending Christmas Greetings to all those fine friends of ours. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated and we are mindful of your friendships when we extend to you our sincerest wishes for a bright and cheerful Christmas.

Watch for the opening of our new home at the corner of North Fannin and Highway 77

BURKES-HOWARD COMPANY

FARMALL TRACTORS—McCORMICK-DEERING FARM EQUIPMENT

CHRISTMAS BEST WISHES

For all your Tomorrows . . .

As we extend our Season's Greetings to each of you, the prospects of the coming year are bright and cheerful. For this we are immeasurably grateful. The future is distinctly encouraging and it is our ambition to have a part in this progress. To this end we pledge our untiring efforts.

In this gesture of good will we wish particularly to salute our friends and to wish them a season of good cheer and fellowship and a New Year of success and happiness.

W. A. L. ROBINSON SERVICE STATION

Phone 675

TEXACO PRODUCTS. GOODRICH TIRES AND BATTERIES

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a pair of ear muffs a new dress, a color book, and in my stocking I would like to have an apple, an orange, some nuts, and candy. Please bring the other children something too. Please bring my brothers and sisters something, also.

Your friend,
JOYCE ANN WILKERSON

Dear Santa:

I wish you would bring me a pair of shoes and a cap. I would also like a baseball and bat and a gun.

Your friend,
JOHN GANDY

Dear Santa:

I would like to have an air rifle, and I hope I do not want too much, because I wan't the others to get what they would like to have. I would like to have a tent if you have one. I will be seeing you at Christmas.

Your friend,
NICK NABOURS

Dear Santa:

Please send me a basket ball, a box of candy and some kind of a game. Remember the other children too. A Merry Christmas to all.

Your friend,
CAROL ANN MATULA

Dear Santa:

How are you getting along? I hope you will have a good time when you come. Would you please bring me a bicycle, and my little sister a locket.

Your friend,
WILLIE SCHILLER

Dear Santa:

I would like a bat, ball, and an air gun.

Your friend,
MODEST DENSON FIKES

Dear Santa:

I am writing to tell you what I want for Christmas. Please send me a new coat, a purse, a wagon, some candy and fruits. My brother wants a football and also a wagon.

Your friend,
BARBARA SIMMONS

Dear Santa:

I do not want anything in particular for Christmas. I would like to have a pair of earmuffs and a few other things. I hope I am not asking too much. I hope you will have a Merry Christmas, I know I will.

Your friend,
RUTH LENORE HEATH

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a chemistry set, some doll clothes, a ball, and some sort of game or book. I hope I am not asking too much. I surely hope that you will be able to take the children that are sick some gifts. Please do not forget our mothers and fathers. Please don't forget my little sister, who is in the first grade. I am sure she will write you a letter too.

With love,
JOYCE EDMONDS

Dear Santa:

I would like to have a baseball, a glove and a football for Christmas. I had a good Christmas last yar. I like the things you gave me. I also wauld like to have a pair of goloshes so I can go in the woods and look at my traps on muddy days.

Your friend,
BOBBY MATTHEWS

Dear Santa:

I do not want much, just a basket to put on my bicycle, a desk on which to study, and four bars of pine soap for my mother.

Your friend,
ANNETTA SHELANDER

Dear Santa:

I will be very happy if you will bring me a wagon or a toy gun. Will you leave some apples or candy?

Your friend,
EDWARD NEELEY

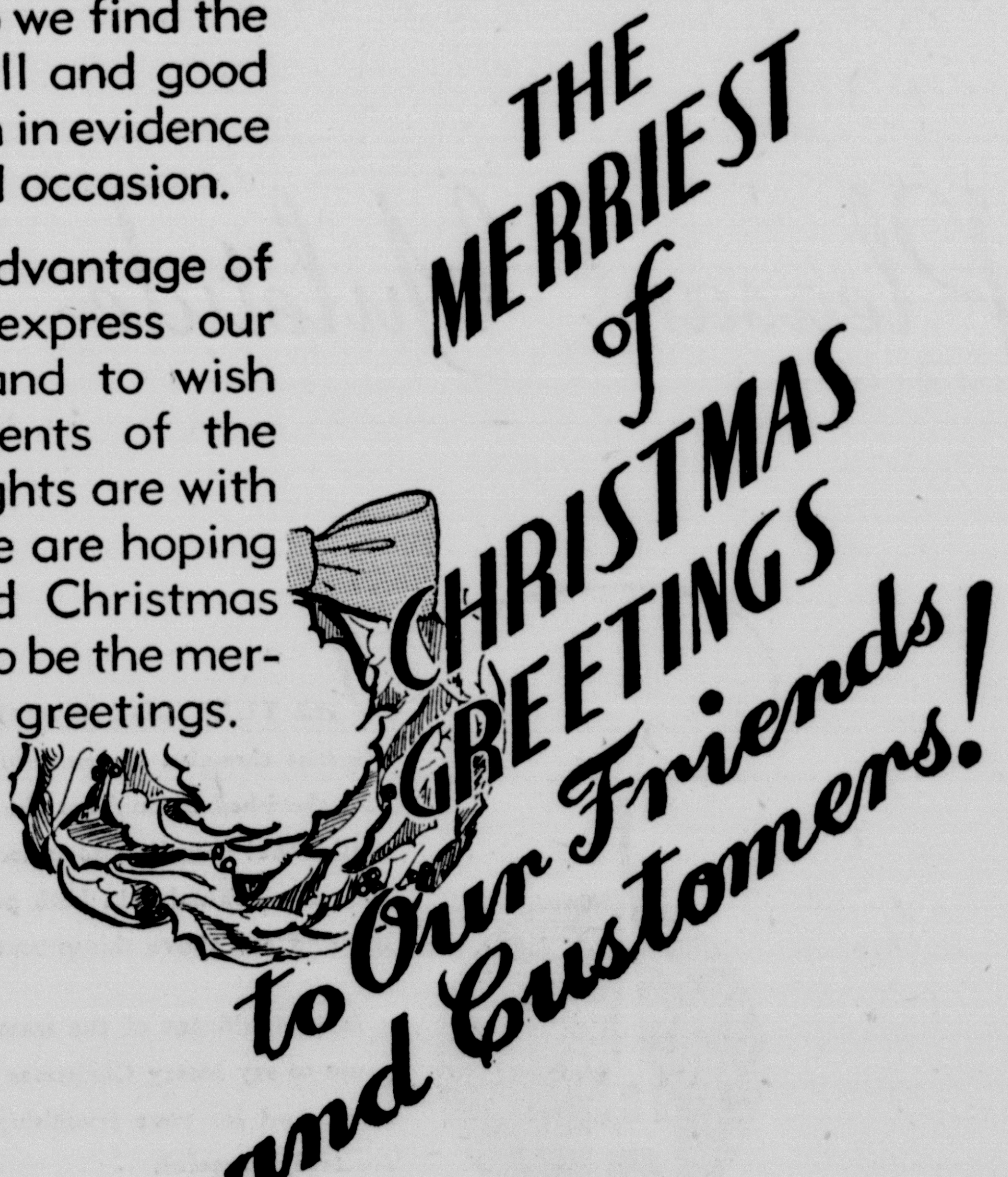
Dear Santa:

I would like a good football, a pair of boxing gloves, fire works and some guns. Don't forget my little brother, please.

Your friend,
VIRGIL WALSTON

Christmas, with all its joys and happiness, is here again, bringing the spirit of peace and contentment into the lives of those about us. At no other time of the year do we find the feeling of good will and good fellowship as much in evidence as during this glad occasion.

May we take advantage of the occasion to express our own sentiments and to wish you the compliments of the season. Our thoughts are with our friends and we are hoping for them a grand Christmas and we want this to be the merriest of Christmas greetings.



Temple Life Insurance Company

TEMPLE, TEXAS

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VERNON ROBERTS, President WALTER B. SMITH, Secretary

The Season's Good Wishes

For A Merry Christmas

As a gesture of thanks, we extend these greetings to our friends.

Your loyalty and consideration mean much to us and we are grateful. MERRY CHRISTMAS.

GOLDFARB'S

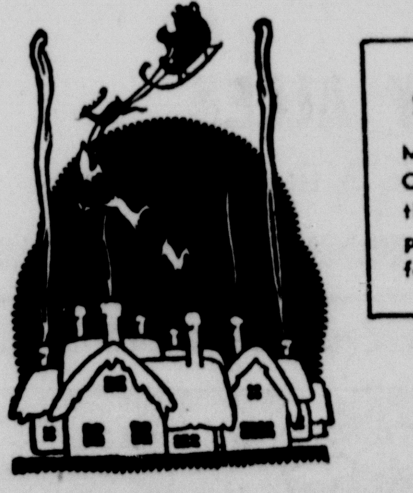
DRY GOODS AND READY-TO-WEAR

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

It is with true appreciation of the fine patronage that you have extended us in the past year that we pause at this glad time of the year to express our sincere good wishes for a most enjoyable Christmas and a successful New Year.

Parma Radio Service

PHONE 104 215 NORTH HOUSTON



Season's Greetings

May this be your happiest Christmas of them all . . . and the New Year be the most prosperous, our Yuletide wish for each of our friends.

SLOCOMB GIN COMPANY

PHONE 478 CAMERON

All of Us Here
to All of you There

BEST WISHES

for a Merry Yuletide

Gerick & Kretschmar

Phone 150 Cameron

Administration Warns Vets To Return Overpayments

WASHINGTON. — Veterans' administration warned former G.I.s that if they fail to repay the government for overpayments of subsistence allowances for education or training the money will be deducted from any future benefits.

VA said that if the veterans later apply for unemployment or self-employment allowances while owing the government for subsistence overpayments the amounts will be deducted from their checks.

VA said that federal statutes prohibit payment of government funds to persons indebted to the government.

Instructions have been sent to state unemployment compensation agencies for recovery of overpayments.

Recovery will be made through a system of cross-checks with VA regional offices and a central control in New York City.

Veterans who have made arrangements to repay overpayments to VA are considered in good standing and will not be affected by the policy.

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Both eyes of the flatfish are on the same side of its head.

Motor Vehicle Miles Show Sharp Increase

The sharp increase in motor vehicle miles driven in the United States last year was sufficient to send the 1946 total to an all-time high of 340 billion vehicle miles, according to report of National Conservation bureau.

The 1946 traffic volume was 3.6 per cent greater than the previous record year of 1941 and 65 per cent greater than the 1943 wartime volume. Monthly trends for 1947 indicate continuing increases and greater strains on United States street and highway facilities.

Increases in 1946 traffic deaths are not so foreboding. The final record of 1946 traffic deaths, released by National Safety council, shows that the traffic death total was held to 33,700, 16 per cent below the 1941 total. The death rate, after little movement since 1942, was forced below 10 fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles for the first time since national records became available. Compared, however, with actual totals for 1945, with no consideration of increased volume, the deaths in 1946 were 20 per cent higher — 33,700 against the 28,070 traffic deaths in 1945.

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Printing is a home industry.

JOY TO THE WORLD

In the true friendly spirit that dominates the entire world at this time, we extend our wishes for a delightful Yuletide Season and a successful New Year. We sincerely hope that the pleasure we have had in serving you in the past has been mutual, and we wish to take this occasion to thank you for all past favors.

HENRY LIPPMAN AND CO-WORKERS

Henry's Dress Shop

BULLETIN
Season's Greetings
TO OUR FRIENDS

We hope you will keep this little notice handy over the holidays to remind you of our appreciation for your friendships and thoughtfulness in days past. May Christmas be merry for you and those about you.

BILL MORRISON

County Attorney, Milam County

TO OUR many, many friends we extend greetings of the Yuletide season . . . and our sincere appreciation for their encouragement and goodwill. And because we are grateful for your friendships we resolve to strive for even greater service in the years to come.

Best Wishes to All

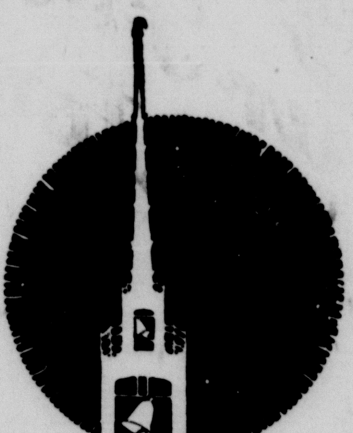
GRADY ALLEN —

District Clerk, Milam County

Merry Christmas

Pleasant Yuletide Thoughts

THE YULETIDE SEASON brings with it pleasant thoughts of friendships—tried, proven and cherished throughout the past. It makes us realize that friendly associations with our fellow men are invaluable in both public and private life and are above things material.



It is significant of the season, then, that we pause to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. And for your friendships and favors we are truly grateful.

NEWTON CLINIC

DR. W. R. NEWTON **DR. DAVID SHAPIRO**

A Joyous holiday

Thanks. Friends.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

MAY THE TREASURE OF ACCUMULATED MEMORIES of Christmases past and gone gladden your Christmas celebration this year. We wish for you all the good things for which Christmas has always stood.

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LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 4 years old. Please bring me a baby doll and doll stroller. I like to play house, if you have plenty, I would like to have some furniture too. Please remember all the little children over the nation, that they may be happy too.

PATSY GALLATIN

P. S. I will be at Granny's house this year as usual.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy only five years old. Will you please bring me a trycicle and a car and truck. Please bring me plenty of fruit, candy and nuts, good bye.

Your friend,
MELVIN HALPAIN

Dear Santa:

Will you please bring me a big doll that goes to sleep and a doll bath tub. I want some pecans, apples, oranges, bananas and candy. That's all.

Love,
PEGGY DAUGHERTY

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl in the first grade. I want a pair of ear muffs and a sweater, a pair of bluejeans and some nuts and candy.

Your friend,
BARBARA COWARD

Dear Santa:

How have you been getting along? I would like for you to bring me an electric train that whistles and smokes and will uncouple the cars and when the train backs will attach together. Wishing you a Merry Christmas Santa.

Yours truly,
JOHNNY DAVIS

Dear Santa:

Please send me two cars and a truck. Remember the other children.

Your friend,
ROBERT HALPAIN

Dear Santa:

I want you to bring me a big long train, a dump truck, some apples, oranges, candy, fire crackers.

Yours truly,
JIM WESLEY PRATT

P. S. Don't forget little sister and brother.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me two dolls an electric stove, fire works, curtains for my doll house. Oh yes some candy and lots of surprises. Please don't forget to come to my Grandmothers house and don't forget my brothers.

I love you,
KAY CAMP

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a box of candy and a necklace chain for Christmas. I am in the 5th grade and also don't forget to bring me some nuts and fruits.

Your friend,
MINNIE ERLE WHITTINGTON

Dear Santa:

I want a gun and a train. I want some fruit, nuts and candy. I hope this is not too much. Please bring my teacher something. Don't forget my two little brothers. Thank you.

Your friend,
EUGENE MICHALKA

Dear Santa:

This year Santa will you please bring me a rubber ball and a wagon. I like to play ball at home. I play with my little brother. I have 4 brothers and no sister. Thank you.

LILLIAN KOSTROUN

HERE'S TO YOUR HAPPINESS

We greet you this Christmas with a profound feeling of sincerity and wish you a Season of great happiness.

JIM McGOLDRIK
CITY MARSHAL, CITY OF CAMERON

BEST SEASON'S GREETINGS

Our fondest wish is that we could see each of you at this time of the year to personally wish you a Merry Christmas. We'd also like to tell you how greatly we appreciate all the fine things you have done for us, the nice patronage that has been ours, the friendly associations and the goodwill of the people of this community.

During the Christmas season no doubt we'll get to see many of you, to express these sentiments to you personally. But to those of you with whom we do not have this opportunity, we send the best greetings for Christmas. We hope you will accept this as a personal message and that you will know we are thinking of you at Christmastime.

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The Yuletide Season, with its delightful spirit of good fellowship, affords us the pleasant opportunity to tell you that your goodwill and friendship mean very much to each of the members of this firm.

We thank you sincerely and wish you a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Season's Greetings

J. P. FULLER
TEXACO SERVICE STATION
North Fannin and Highway 77 Phone 533

Thanks To The Citizens Of Milam County

I am profoundly grateful for the opportunity and privilege of serving the people of my native County as County Judge for the past 12 months. As long as I am entrusted with the duties and responsibilities of this office I shall endeavor to conduct myself and dispatch the business of the County placed in my hands for disposition in keeping with the dignity of this high office.

You have brought me perhaps the greatest honor I shall ever receive.

I have enjoyed unusual cooperation from our Caunty Commissioners (who appointed me), the newspapers, county officials, county employees, members of the Milam County Bar, and from citizens throughout the County. Such cooperation has enabled me to make decisions, I hope, in a fair and in an impartial way and in a manner that will warrant your endorsement of my administration. It is my desire and ambition to continue to serve you in this most important office.

I extend a welcome to each and everyone to visit the County Judges' office and I shall try to be kind, generous and helpful in any problems you have and assist you to solve them to the best of my ability.

Thanks again and wishing you and yours the best that life affords and a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

DAN TYSON
COUNTY JUDGE

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a tricycle and a ball. Please bring me some nuts and candy. Don't forget the other children.

Your friend,
ERNEST BAYER

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a little radio and a real watch and basket ball.

Your friend,
ANN JOHNS SWIFT

Dear Santa:

Please bring me an air rifle, a bicycle and some nuts and candy. Do not forget my mother and father and my little brother.

Your friend,
MONROE BAYER

Dear Santa:

Will you please bring me a bicycle. I need it to ride to school. I am in the first grade. I already know how to ride one. I want a teddy bear. I guess that is all. Oh yes I want a red cross army truck please.

Your friend,
ALLEN DODSON

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a football and a cowboy suit if you can if not I want some blue jeans to go with my new boots. I want a scabbard and gun too with ten boxes of caps. Thank you, That's all I want.

Your friend,
CHARLES KIRK

Dear Santa:

I want a little truck with peanuts. I saw some in Waco so please bring me one. I also would like to have a train that you can wind up and it will run. Just bring me anything else you think I would like I am a little boy seven years old.

Love,
PAUL YOUNG

Dear Santa:

Am a little girl in the second grade. I am six years old. My teacher is Miss Mary. I go to North Elm School. My teacher is good to me. Santa, I want a doll, dishes, ball and hair ribbons. I want some nuts, oranges, apples and candy. Santa, don't forget the children over sea.

Your friend,
JOYCE ELAINE

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl five years old. I go to North Elm School. My teacher is Miss Mary. I like her very much. For Christmas I would like a doll and dishes. Do not forget the other little boys and girls.

I love you,
JUANITA VERACRIZ

Dear Santa:

I tried to be a good boy this year. I go to North Elm School. I am ten year old. I am in the sixth grade. My teacher is Mrs. Sam B. Houston. For Christmas I want some candy, and apples. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

Your friend,
FRANKIE JOHN KASTIHA

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl nine years old. I go to North Elm School. I am in the third grade. My teacher is Mrs. Sam B. Houston. For Christmas I would like a little doll, dishes, a dresser set and purse. I would like for you to bring me some fruit, candy and nuts. Please don't forget the other little girls and boys.

L love you,
JO ANN STEVENS

Dear Santa:

I was trying to be a good girl this year. I am twelve years old. I go to North Elm Eehool, my teacher is Mrs. Sam B. Houston, I am in the seventh grade. Santa, I want a doll, a story book and lots of fruits and nuts. Santa don't forget the other boys and girls. A merry Chrismas to you.
BERNICE MAE HRACHOVY

CORDIAL Greetings

We have a host of friends in this area whom we would like to see personally in order to extend a personal Christmas Greeting.

We may not get around to everybody so we ask that you consider this as being a genuine expression of good wishes to each of you and a hearty thank you for past courtesies.

E. L. WIED HARDWARE
Phone 293 Cameron

CHRISTMAS MEMORIES

Each year as we observe the Christmas Season, we are reminded of the many things for which we should be thankful. We remember innumerable instanees of your good faith and goodwill and we recall the countless courtesies and favors with which we have been blessed and of the friendships, tried and proven, that have been ours to enjoy.

Mindful of these fine expressions of friendships, and of the thoughtfulness back of them, we desire to again send our Christmas wishes to each of you, and to thank you for everything. You have made the past year a pleasant one for us, and we trust that we shall enjoy many more among the people of this community.

McLANE COMPANY
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May You Have a Delightful Christmas

As we enjoy to the fullest the joys of a happy Christmas Season, and await the coming of the New Year, we pause and look back with joy over the closing twelve months, to new friendships formed and old ones grown stronger.

Looking toward the future, we are grateful to folk like you who have, in many ways, made our journey through the past a pleasant one. Please consider this our pledge to merit your continued patronage.

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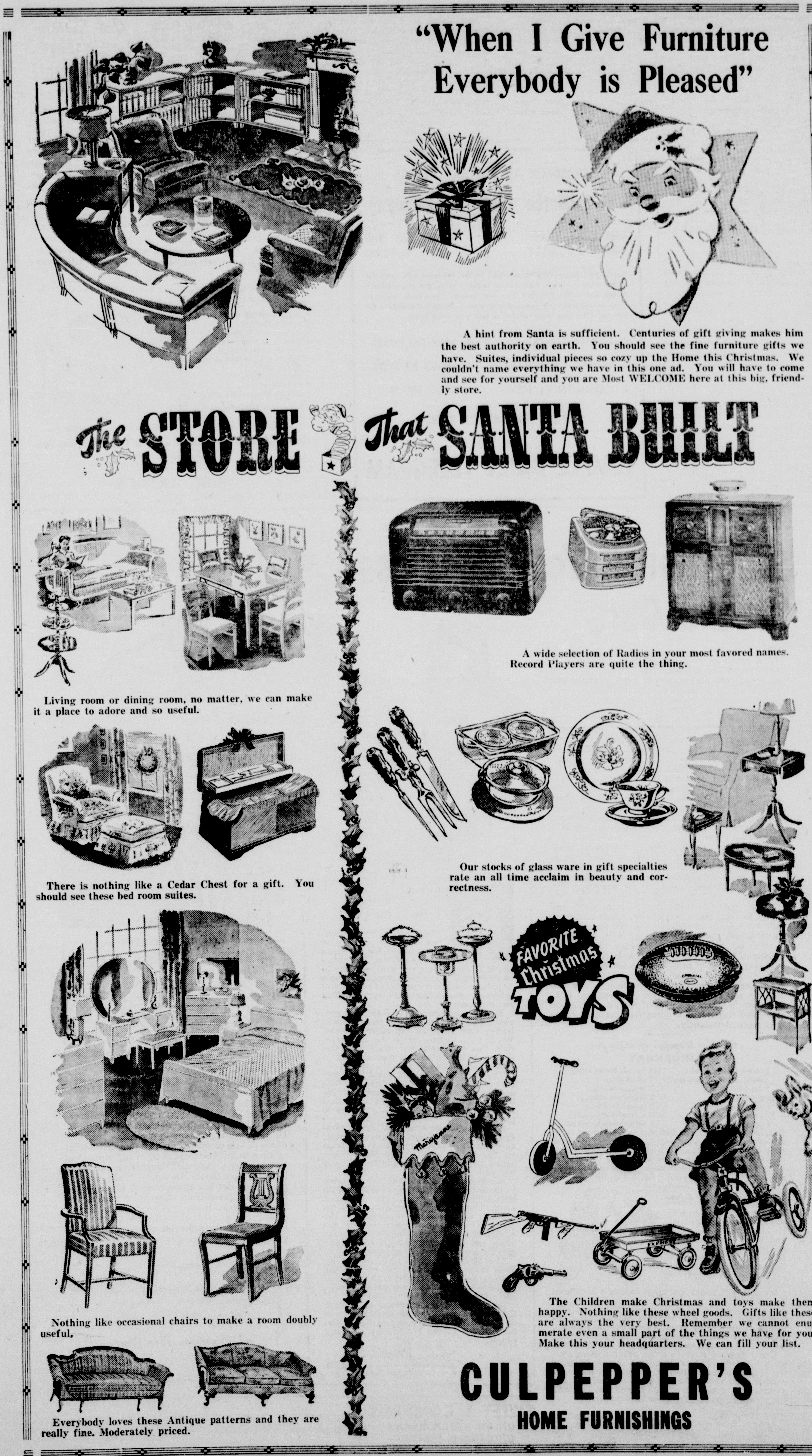

"When I Give Furniture Everybody is Pleased"

A hint from Santa is sufficient. Centuries of gift giving makes him the best authority on earth. You should see the fine furniture gifts we have. Suites, individual pieces so cozy up the Home this Christmas. We couldn't name everything we have in this one ad. You will have to come and see for yourself and you are Most WELCOME here at this big, friendly store.

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The Children make Christmas and toys make them happy. Nothing like these wheel goods. Gifts like these are always the very best. Remember we cannot enumerate even a small part of the things we have for you. Make this your headquarters. We can fill your list.

CULPEPPER'S
HOME FURNISHINGS

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl. I go to school at Milano. I am in the third grade. I always make good grades. I like school. It is fun. I am eight years old. Please bring me a pretty ring, and a bracelet. I want a doll, a doll house, if you have a red one. Please bring me some fruits and candy. Bring my mother a fruit cake, and for my father. I want some chewing gum. Bring my little brother something too.

Your friend,
NANCY ANN FORD

Dear Santa:

I am eight years old. I am in the third grade. I go to Milano school. I want a purse for Christmas, and a ring, if you can get it for me. My birthstone is June 10. Mrs. Black is my third grade teacher.

Your friend,
MELBA WOOLVERTON

Dear Santa:

I like you. I want a doll, a ring and a bracelet. Come to see me.

Your friend,
IRENA REVILLA

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. I have been good all the year. Santa, bring me a football and a bicycle.

Your friend'
STANLEY BETCHAN

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy eight years old. My teacher's name is Mrs. Black. I have been a good little boy. Please bring me a football and a wagon.

Your friend,
DOUGLAS BLACKMON

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. I want an air rifle, a pair of cowboy boots and a paint set for Christmas. Remember all the good little boys and girls.

Your friend,
CLIFFORD RAY

Dear Santa:

I go to Milano school. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a football and a flash light.

Your friend,
JOHN BEAVERS

Dear Santa:

I go to Milano school. I am in the third grade. I make good grades. I am a good boy. I want a bicycle and a gun.

Your friend,
KENNETH BOUNDS

Dear Santa:

I go to school. My name is Billie Gene. I want a doll and a doll buggy. I have been a good girl and have made good grades.

Your friend,
BILLIE GENE WILLIAMS

Dear Santa:

I am in the third grade. Charles Finney is my name. Will you bring me a red wagon for Christmas, also a football.

Your friend,
CHARLES FINNEY

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a new wagon, tractor, pistol, candy and chewing gum.

Love,
JOHN ROBERT McCLAREN

Dear Santa:

I am in the first grade. I want you to bring me a doll or just anything you want too. Don't forget my little sister and my teacher. Her name is Mrs. Wise.

Your friend,
VIRGINIA WHEELER

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 10 years old. I have been a good boy. So please bring me a Gene Autry chop set, a few BBs' some fire works and some fruit. Don't forget the other children. Be good to them. So long Santa, I will put Bread and honey on the table for you. Help yourself. So I must close.

Your friend,
WILLIE LESIKAR

Dear Santa:

I go to Mialno school. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a doll, a ring, a ball and a necklace. Mrs. Black is my teacher. I am eight years old. I have been a good little girl. My mother is a good mother. Please bring her a pin for her to pin on her dress. My daddy is a good daddy. Please bring him a tie.

Your friend,
JUNE PRATT

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a wrist watch, a pair of blue jeans and a dress. Also visit boys and girls here and everywhere.

Your friend,
SHIRLEY JEAN MORGAN

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a toy washing machine, plenty sparkles, doll and plenty of fruits and nuts. Remember all children of other lands.

Your friend,
JOYCE NICHOLSON

Dear Sanat:

Please bring me for Christmas a pair of spring shoes, a little stove that will really cook and a refrigerator that will really keep things cold. Please remember the other children in the world.

P. S. You will have to come in the door.

Your friend,
JOYCE E. McLAIN

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a pair of cowboy boots, a bicycle and also a football. Fill my stocking with fruit and candy. Don't forget the other children in the world.

Your friend,
TOMMIE COLLINS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a billfold, a Daisy air rifle and plenty of candy and fruit Remember all the other people of the world.

Your friend,
TOM COLLINS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a Micky Mouse watch, a baby skin doll and fill my stocking with something. Also remember all other children of the world.

Your friend,
JOHNA LEE BRASHER

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a Micky Mouse watch and blue jeans and plenty of fruit and candy. Also remember all the children of the world.

Your friend,
ALAN SMITH

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a new football, a billfold, an air rifle, a wrist watch, a croquet set and plenty of fruit and candy. Also remember the children in other countries.

Your friend,
BOBBY WITCHER

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, an electric train, and please bring me some fruit and candy. Also remember all other children of the world.

Your friend,
CLIFFORD ANGELL

Dear Santa:

If you have one I would like an electric train, a cap gun, a water gun and some BBs. Please do not forget the other children in the world.

Your friend,
KENNETH STUFFLEBEME

P. S. My sister would like a croquet set. Please give me plenty of fire works and candy.

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a football some nuts, candy and fruit. I am 7 years old and this is my first year in school. I sure do like to go to school as my teacher is nice to me. She has taught me lots in a short while. Please don't forget her and all the other children.

Love,
ARCHER LEE MRAZ

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a house coat, a pair of house shoes and also fill my stocking with fruit and candy. Remember all the other children of the world.

Your friend,
SUE RIDDLE

Dear Santa:

Will you please bring me a plastic car like the ones at Walgreen's. I want a bicycle too, a slide, two boats, two ships, some house shoes for me and some for my big sister, Mary. Be sure and bring her a bicycle too and a radio.

Your friend,
BILLY HENSLEY

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a toy piano, a little toy hen that lays wooden eggs and plenty of fruit and candy. Also remember my little sister Nelda, and all other children.

Your friend,
WILMA F. BALDRIDGE

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a piano, a wrist watch, a sparkle plenty doll and plenty of fruit and candy. Also remember my mother and father.

Your friend,
CHARLENE SOMMER

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a red and blue car. A dump truck too, steam shovel, bulldoser with a trailer, four boxes of caps, toy Rockorusher with a pickup, four holsters one left and one right handed with guns to match. I want a little tube of plastic bubbles. A big sack of candy and a mustach and beard set. A bathing suit, tennis shoes and a bubble pipe.

Yours truly,
STANLEY McCLELLAND

P. S. I want a cowboy hat and an electric train if you have one left.

Dear Santa:

I am 8 years old. I have one little brother 2 years old. He likes to play with me. Please bring him a toy car and a doll and hand bag for me. Santa don't forget other boys and girls. We want them to get toys and goodies too. In our school we save pennies for the poor people far and near. We like to help others. Thank you Santa. Good bye.

Your friend,
BERNICE VANZA

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a magic skin doll and a doctor set, some fruits, nuts and candy.

Love,
BOBBIE JUNE EDMONDS

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle for Christmas. I would like to ride on it to school, when it is not muddy. I thank you.

STEVE VANZA

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a toy car and a good pencil. We write much in school. Come to see us Santa and bring your big bag along. Thank you.

EUGENE ROZNOS

Dear Santa:

I would be very glad if you would bring me a football for Christmas. I like to play ball. Come Santa. Don't forget us at Marak. I thank you.

STEVE DOHNALIK

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Nutrition is Your Business and Ours

In this wintry month, as America prepares for that feast which celebrates the birth of the Prince of Peace, men and women of good will take spiritual stock, give thanks for many blessings.

Well-nourished bodies and minds are the wealth of America. One of the great blessings that this country enjoys is the food it produces in such abundance. Farmers and ranchers who produce this food, and we at Swift & Company who process and distribute it, have an occasion for satisfaction in our teamwork. Together we can say—and proudly—"*Nutrition is our business.*"

Good nutrition begins with soil itself. Out of the soil come the crops—the fruits and grains and vegetables we eat. Out of the soil also come the grasses and legumes and grains on which livestock feed—the very foundation of the meat and dairy products that are the protein backbone of our nation's food.

Today the American people are better nourished than ever before in history. This is cause for pride and rejoicing. For a better fed, healthier people leads to a stronger nation with greater capacity for clearer thinking, for work and production.

Good nutrition adds life to your years and years to your life. Good eating, which today we call the science of nutrition, is not an accident. It must be planned—beginning with the preparation of the soil and continuing through the raising of the crops and livestock, to the selection and preparation of meals for the table. This is an activity in which we all play an important part. Swift men of research and technology, like you farmers and ranchers all over America, are seeking ways in which the food of our people may be improved and our joint operations made to thrive ever more abundantly.

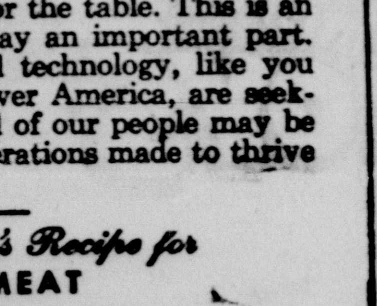
Martha Logan's Recipe for MINCEMEAT

- 1 pound cooked beef shank, chuck, or neck meat
- 1 cup meat stock
- ½ pound suet
- 4 pounds apples
- ½ pound currants
- 1 pound seeded raisins
- 1½ pounds brown sugar
- 1 quart cider
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 2 teaspoons nutmeg
- 2 teaspoons cloves
- 3 teaspoons cinnamon
- 5 tablespoons lemon juice

Pare, core, and chop apples. Chop together currants and raisins. Add apples, sugar, cider, and meat stock. Cook about 5 minutes. Grind meat and suet. Add with seasonings to apple mixture. Simmer 1 hour, stirring frequently to prevent burning. Add lemon juice.

This mincemeat may be made ahead of time and canned for use throughout the holiday season. (Yield: 4 quarts)

Track Down the Facts



The beaver is an industrious and intelligent animal. He fells trees, builds dams, and wastes little effort or material. A "by-product" of his building operations—the bark of limbs and logs—provides his supply of winter food.

We in the livestock and meat industry have been "busy as beavers" developing methods of saving the different by-products of livestock. These products benefit the human race in many ways. Many ailments are relieved by extracts from livestock glands. Numerous ordinary articles, such as glue, buttons, combs, knife handles, soap, etc., originate from livestock.

Under normal conditions the returns from livestock by-products are almost large enough to offset the operating and marketing expenses of the meat packers. The value of by-products has reduced the average cost of meat to consumers and has increased the prices the producer receives for livestock.

Business is Built on Faith

The American business system is based on keeping faith with the people whom business serves. For example, if Swift & Company is to continue to be successful, five distinct groups of people must have faith in our ability to serve them: producers, stockholders, employes, retailers and consumers.

Farmers and ranchers look to us to provide a daily cash market, and to compete in buying their livestock and other products. We, in turn, depend on you for raw materials. Our operations and yours are interdependent and based on mutual trust in each other's fair dealing.

The 64,000 stockholders invest their savings in Swift & Company with faith that good management will earn them a fair return on their investment. To keep that faith, the company must earn a reasonable profit.

Another definite responsibility of management is to provide regular employment, good working conditions, plants and tools for the 74,000 employes of Swift. Here again, mutual faith and understanding is essential.

In serving retailers in every city and town in the nation, Swift is very conscious of its responsibilities to this fourth important group. Through exacting quality-control we are able to supply the retailers with the grade and type of products their trade demands. To serve them faithfully, we have to study and understand their problems, and give them an understanding of ours.

The fifth and largest group served by Swift is the consumers of the nation. Their faith in the Swift name and Swift's branded products is the very basis of our business—and a great asset to both you and us.

As we review the operation of Swift & Company at year's end, we again resolve to do everything in our power to justify the faith placed in our business by so many people.

John Holmes
President, Swift & Company

OUR CITY COUSIN

Why does City Cousin cry?
He has no room for his Mince Pie!

COMPETITION SETS THE PACE

There's lots of competition in the livestock and meat industry—both in the buying of livestock, and in the selling of the meat and by-products. U. S. Government reports show the best evidence of this competition when they list a total of more than 4,000 meat packers and more than 22,500 other commercial slaughterers operating in the United States. Of course, Swift & Company does not bid against every one of these 26,500 slaughterers at every point at which it buys livestock. However, there isn't a purchase of livestock or a sale of meat made that doesn't have to meet a considerable number of actual or potential bids of competitors.

To all our friends on America's farms and ranches, we at Swift & Company wish

a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

SWIFT & COMPANY
UNION STOCK YARDS
CHICAGO 9, ILLINOIS

NUTRITION IS OUR BUSINESS—AND YOURS
Right eating adds life to your years—and years to your life

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy. I am not big enough to go to school yet. Please bring me a tricycle and some candy, nuts and fruit. Please don't forget my mother and daddy and my sister.

Your little friend,
DENNIS RUZICKA

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Dear Santa:

I am in the fourth grade. Please bring me some tinker toys. I want some fire crackers, a color book and some colors. Please don't forget my mother, daddy and my teacher.

Your friend,
LEON ORSAG

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a doll, a color book and a box of colors. I want some fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget my brother and mother, daddy and my teacher.

Your friend,
EVELYN TOMASEK

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Dear Santa:

I have been a good little girl all the year round. I will be eight years old, December 5. I am in the third grade. Please bring me a color book and some colors. Bring me a birthstone ring. I want some Christmas candy and all kinds of nuts. Remember my mother, father, sisters, brothers and my teacher.

Your friend,
EVELYN BETTY VYBIRAL

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Dear Santa:

I am a little girl. I am not old enough to go to school yet. Please bring me a dolly, a doll bed, a doll buggy and a toy stove. My name is Mary Ann. Don't forget my brother.

Your truly,
MARY ANN FAICHTINGER

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Dear Santa:

I am a little boy in the second grade. Please bring me a wagon and a cap gun. I want a color book and some colors. I want some candy, fruit and nuts. I want some fire crackers. I want my teacher and friends here to get something, and don't forget my mother and father.

Your friend,
JOE HROMCIK

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a water gun. I want a wagon and a train and colors. I would like a book satchel a rain coat and clothes. I want some fire crackers.

Your friend,
CHARLES WILKINS

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Dear Santa:

I am a little boy 7 years old. I am in the first grade. Please bring me a tricycle, ball, colors, scissors and a book satchel.

Your friend,
JOE WILKINS

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Dear Santa:

I am a little girl 7 years old. I am in the second grade. Please bring me a ball, nuts and candy. Please do not forget my grandpa and grandma. And don't forget the poor children overseas. Don't forget my sister.

Your friend,
PATRICIA HERTENBERGER

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Dear Santa:

I am a little girl. I do not go to school. Will you please bring me a doll and some nuts, candy and fruit.

Your friend,
SANDRA TAEGEL

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Dear Santa:

I am a little boy. Please bring me an oil truck, a toy gun and holster, a tractor and trailer. I want some nuts, fruit and candy.

Your friend,
COLIN RAY TAEGEL

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a wrist watch and plenty fruit and candy. Also remember all the other boys and girls.

Your friend,
BETTY SHUFFIELD

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me a bicycle, a doll and some candy. Also remember all the other children of the world.

Your friend,
BETTY RAY

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Dear Santa:

Please bring me an electric train, a bicycle, an air rifle, and a base ball. I hope that isn't too much for Christmas. Also remember by brother and baby sister and all other children of the world.

Your friend,
FREDDY FLEISCHER

Greetings

To our good friends, those whom we have had the privilege of serving in the past, and those whom we'd like to serve in the future, we send this little package of Christmas cheer. It is heavily laden because it carries our most hearty appreciation of your friendships, patronage, and cooperation that you have shown this institution in the past. It also brings you our earnest hopes for a full enjoyment of the Holiday season.

Accept our wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a joyous New Year.

STEDMAN TRACTOR CO.

FORD TRACTORS AND FERGUSON
FARM EQUIPMENT

Wishing You
A MERRY CHRISTMAS

May Every Day
Be a Holiday

Given our choice of good wishes for our friends, we'd like to see the Christmas Spirit manifest every day of the year. It is that time when the whole world is kin, when petty differences are forgotten and friendships are bound together in a closer relationship, when worries are left behind and the future looks more cheerful than ever before.

This institution plans to maintain this policy throughout the coming year; it is our pledge to show you we appreciate every courtesy and favor that has been ours. So we say again

It has been a pleasure to serve the people of Cameron and your co-operation is re-assuring. As we look forward into the new year 1948 let us resolve to do bigger and better things for our city.

A. W. McCULLIN

MAYOR CITY OF CAMERON

Sincere Good Wishes for Every Day in the Year

Season's Greetings

It is a real pleasure to extend greetings to you at this Christmas season and to wish each of you the fullest measure of happiness and successful achievement in the New Year.

Let us press ahead with united energy and determination toward the pinnacle of success that lies ahead for our community, our nation and each other.

Heartiest Christmas and New Year greetings to one and all.

O'NEILL'S SERVICE STATION

MAGNOLIA PRODUCTS

PHONE 111 CAMERON

Strictly Sentimental

Maybe we are old fashioned but we do get just a little sentimental at Christmas time.

We like to look back over the past twelve months, remembering all the fine things that have been our good fortune. It's pleasant to review the associations we have had with our friends—to find comfort in the knowledge that in lasting friendships come the joys of good living.

It's good to say "Merry Christmas"—it's satisfying to hear our friends say "Merry Christmas."

So, old fashioned or not, we just wanted to extend

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

Foster Produce Co.

Year Round Market For Farm Commodities

PHONE 554 CAMERON

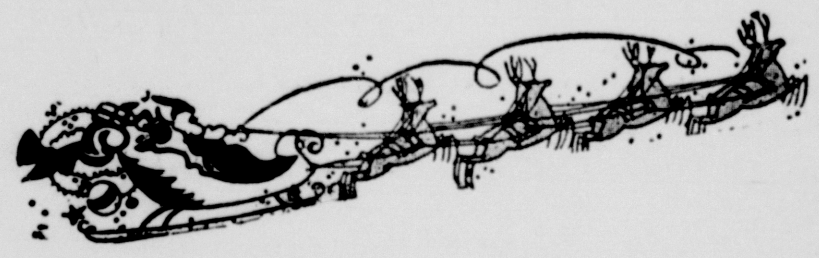
MERRY CHRISTMAS

We are hoping that each of you enjoy the Merriest Christmas ever.

Your consideration of this firm in the past has been of tremendous importance and it is with gratitude for your patronage that we extend our most cordial good wishes for the Yuletide Season.

CAMERON FRUIT & GROCERY CO.

TELEPHONE 444



SEASON'S GREETINGS

To Our Friends

May we have the pleasure of extending to you, one and all, our sincere desire for all the good things that you may wish for... Our ever increasing circle of friends has made this Christmas a very happy one for us... and we only hope that you, too, will receive your share of happiness.

For your fine patronage we are thankful and ask that we may continue to serve you in the years to come.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Grant Lumber Co.

Henry Wernli, Manager Phone 407

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy six years old. This is my first year in school. I would like for you to bring me a double holster set, a cowboy suit and a pair of cowboy boots. Please bring something for my little brother.

Your friend,
WAYMAN KEEN

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a toy sail boat, an electric train, a BB gun, a tool chest, color book and some fireworks. I have been a good boy.

With love,
GENE WHITE

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy in the first grade and I have been a good boy, Santa will you please bring me a football, gun, tricycle, truck, some fire crackers and fruit, nuts and candy. Thank you.

Your friend,
JERRY KIRK

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old. I go to school at Milano. My teacher is Mrs. Wise. Will you please bring me a doll, a set of dishes and some fruit and nuts? Please don't forget my little sister. She is four years old. We have been good girls.

With love,
MARCELLA McNIEL

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old and in the first grade at Milano. Please bring me a rubber doll, a piano, a telephone and a ring. Please don't forget candy, nuts and fruits. Don't forget the other little girls and boys

With love,
JEANETTE BELT

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old and I am in the first grade. Will you bring me a doll, doll buggy and a doll bed. Thank you.

With love,
FRANCES BLACKMON

Dear Santa:

Will you please bring me a doll, doll buggy, nuts and candy? I also need some doll dresses. I have been a good little girl.

With love,
GRACE MARIE PAIRETT

Dear Santa:

I am seven years old and I am in the first grade. I have been a good little boy. Please bring me a little car of some sort, a ball, a bat and a big red wagon that my sister and brother can play with too.

With love,
JESSE DAVID PRATT

Dear Santa:

For Christmas please bring me a gun, a scabbard with caps and a dump truck. Bring everything else that goes with Christmas and don't forget my two baby brothers. They want the same thing I do.

Love,
DENNIS LAGRONE

Dear Santa:

Will you please bring me a pistol, caps, cowboy boots, cowboy hat and a train. I want some candy, fruit and nuts.

Your friend,
PAT WESTBROOK

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl in the first grade. Please bring me a doll, a locket and bracelet set for Christmas. I have three brothers and I hope you will bring them the things they want. Remember all the good children.

Your little friend,
BEVERLY MORGAN

Dear Santa:

I have been a good boy and I want you to bring me a cap pistol, a scabbard dump truc, steam shovel and a wrecker. I want a pair of boots too but I am afraid that is asking you for too much.

Your friend,
WILLIAM O'NEAL

Dear Santa:

I am a good little girl six years old and in the first grade at Milano. Please bring gifts to girls and boys all over the world. I would like to have a doll, doll buggy, stove and cooking utensils. Thank you Santa.

Your little friend,
BENNIE SUE DEVALL

Dear Santa:

I want a football for Christmas.

Your friend,
JAMES KENNIE WARREN

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old. I go to school and like to. Please bring me a doll, a tooth brush and some firecrackers. Don't forget my baby brother. He wants a gun.

Your friend,
MARTHA RAE MORGAN

Dear Santa:

I am six years old and I go to school. I like my teacher. Will you please bring me a doll, a tooth brush and some handkerchiefs? Please bring us candy and fruit too.

Your friend,
WILMA MAE MORGAN

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy five years old and in the first grade. Mrs. Wise is my teacher and I sure do like her. Please bring me a football, color book and some crayolas. My little sister wants a doll and a cradle. Don't forget some nuts too, and don't forget all other girls and boys.

Your friend,
JOHNNY DENMAN

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl in the first grade. Please bring me a color book, a doll, crayolas, fruit and candy. Don't forget my little sister.

Your friend,
ANNIE LAURA HURT

Dear Santa:

I am a little girl six years old and I am in the first grade. Will you please bring me a doll, dishes and a comb and brush set. Thank you.

Love,
DELORES ROBERTSON

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy eight years old and I go to school at Milano. I want a car, a football, a sack of candy and some apples, oranges and nuts. Hurry up because I will be waiting for you.

Your friend,

WESLEY SHAFER

Dear Santa:

I would like a little train for Christmas, a red car and some candy

Your friend,
ALFRED VRAZEL

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a set of little dishes, a color book and colors, a little box of candy for Christmas.

Love,
DOROTHY SOLOMON

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a ball, a gun that shoots caps and a scooter.

Your friend,
CARROLL WAYNE JUNGMANN

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a cap gun, a marble board, a pocket knife and a jig set. Look under the tree for a piece of cake.

Love,
Littleton Barrett

Dear Santa:

Please bring me an airplane. Also some fruit and nuts. Bring my little sister, Elaine, a doll.

Your friend,
EDWARD JONES

Dear Santa:

Please bring me a gun that shoots caps, a ball, a scooter, fruit and candy.

Your friend,
BENARD JUNGMAN

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CAMERON CHURCHES WELCOME YOU

Merry
Christmas

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